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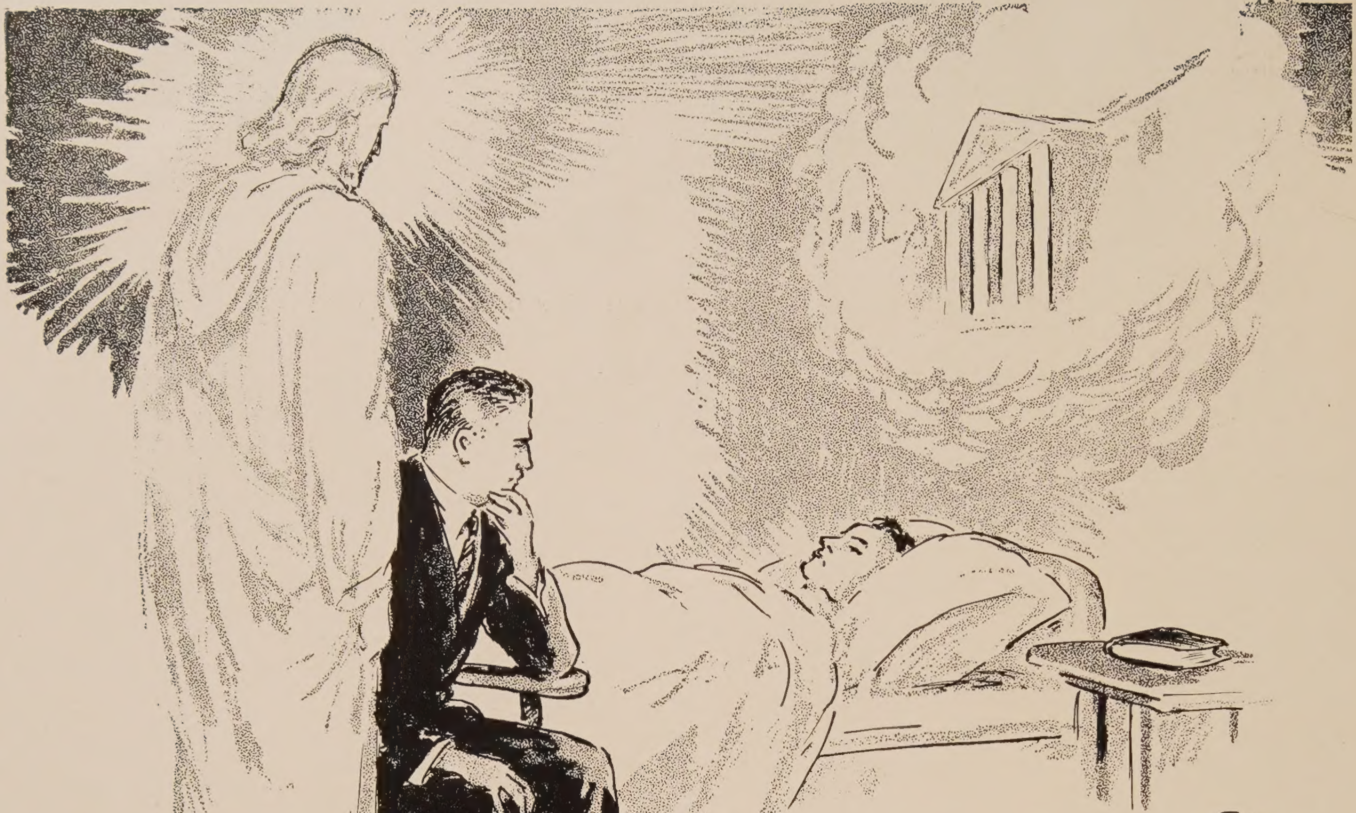

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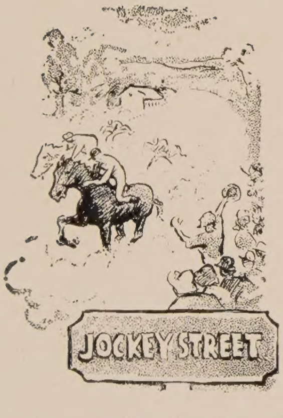

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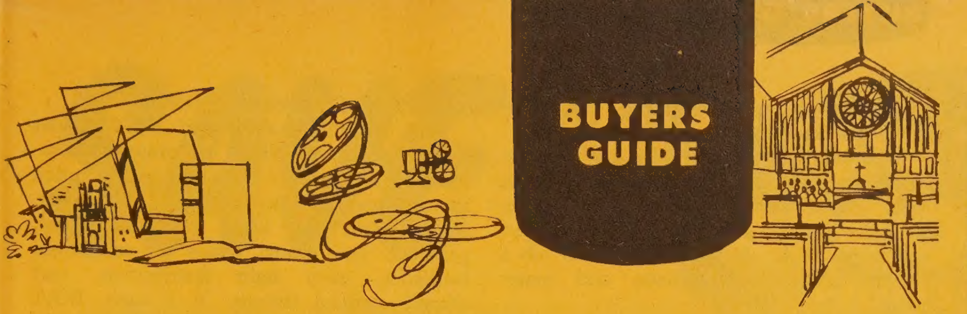

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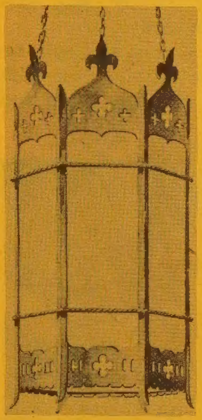

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Right illumination helps create a worshipful atmosphere. Also, there is the reading of Bibles and hymnals to be considered. If poor lighting should cause effort in reading or listening to the preacher during a sermon, less attention will result and some of the good may be lost.

In addition to practicability, a luminaire must also express beauty and harmony. To many individuals a lack of harmony in design creates an actual acute distaste. Therefore, in order to create the desired quiet, peaceful, reverent atmosphere, the lighting units must conform to the architecture of the building and to the interior decorative motif.

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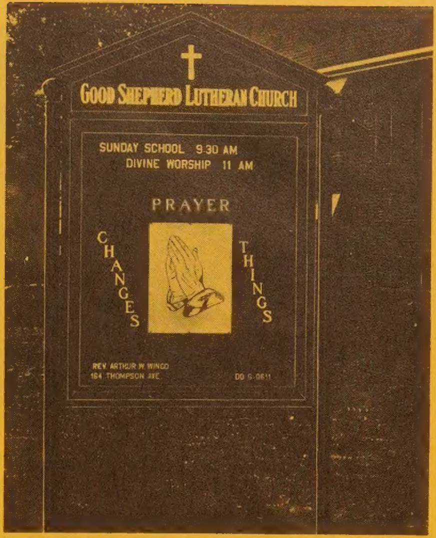

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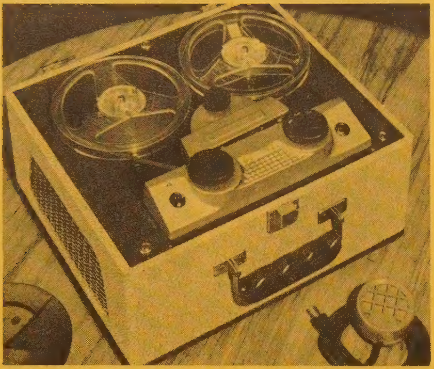

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The "Telectrotape," a new departure in low priced tape machines, incorporates features found in machines which have been two and three times more expensive according to the Telectrosonic Corporation's recent announcement.

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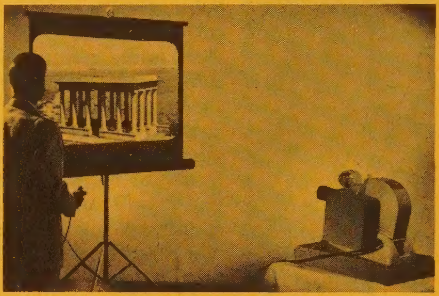
The complete unit is compact and includes a sturdy, Royalite carrying case with storage space for slide changer, cords and film cans.



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THIS MONTH

If he makes an appearance at all, it's a de-emphasized and deflated Santa who slides down most Christians' chimneys. And for some folk, reindeer aren't permitted to set a hoof on the front lawn.

Rightly, most Christians exalt Christ on His birthday, almost as the shepherds did 2,000 years ago. To them, the secularism and commercialism of downtown mob shopping is an also-ran to the true meaning of Christmas.

Put Christ back
into Christm

JAYCEES IN ACTION

In preparing your December issue of CHRISTIAN LIFE, we discovered that even towns are waking up. Mayors and aldermen are finding out that there is more to Christmas than mistletoe and gala Yule festivities. And in some communities like Elmhurst, Ill., (see page 15), actual programs are being carried out to put Christ back into Christmas.

We're surprised at the number of secular organizations which are gravely concerned about the true meaning of Christmas. It's encouraging.

Beside the town councils and civic organizations, churches too are doing more than ever to give Christ His rightful place. Sometimes when the run of Christmas pageants with beardless shepherds and camel-less magi gets stale, ingenious church workers supplement them or supplant them with new ideas of adoration to the Babe in the manger.

Families, too, beset with the fantastic notions of mythical red-nosed beasts or humanized snowmen, seek to present something spiritual in the home. It may be by establishing special family traditions (see "Christian Traditions in the Home," page 28), or it may be by special Scripture reading or carol singing.

But whatever it is, we're interested. Whether it be in your town, civic club, church or family, we'd like to know how you celebrate Christmas. So we'd appreciate it if you would write The Editors, CHRISTIAN LIFE, 434 S. Wabash Ave., Chicago 5, Ill., and share with us these ideas for Christmas observance in town, church or home.

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Things looked bad for Missionary Dave Solt, atop a partially-completed radio tower, with an earthquake on the way. But at that very moment a friend back in Pennsylvania sensed Solt's danger, felt compelled to pray. How God answered that prayer is told next month in "Earthquake."

Feel chilly? Next month Bernard Palmer escorts fiction fans to the frozen tundra of Alaska for a story that will make you shiver. "Sudden Storm" is the title that marks it as a tale of suspense and excitement in the January issue of CHRISTIAN LIFE. Watch for it.

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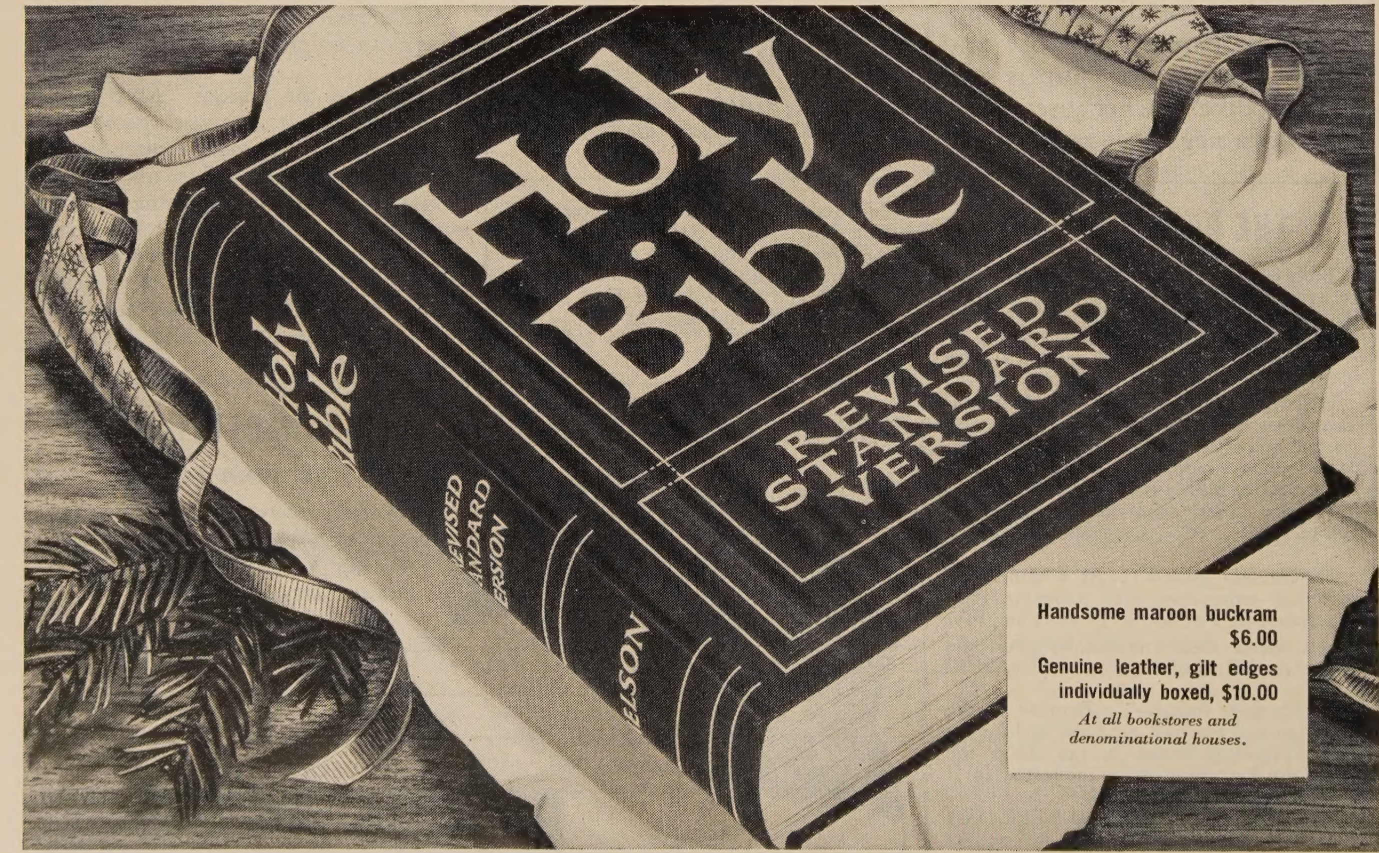

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CHRISTIAN LIFE hit an all time low in the October issue when it carried the article by Mr. Phil Kerr which was entitled, "What's Good About Gospel Choruses?" Of course Mr. Kerr was trying to defend himself in his doing something which he wants to do, but CHRISTIAN LIFE did not have to carry such an article. . . .

Bethel, N. Y. THOMAS J. WILSON, *Minister*
White Lake Covenanter Church

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The article in your October issue entitled, "What's Good about Gospel Choruses," has been read with interest and I think a good deal more might be said on the same subject. I don't think the issue is between the current gospel song and the hymns of Martin Luther and Charles Wesley but rather between what is in good taste and that which is not. . . . The hymns of the English church and those of the American hymn writers seem to have been mostly ignored in your article, and these, which are found in all the hymnals, may be taken as a standard for an appropriate idiom. . . . A good many choruses and gospel songs heard over the air and at revival meetings have gone so far from the typical idiom of the church hymns, that they are quite indistinguishable from some of the popular songs of the day which dance bands blare out over the radio most of the day and night! . . . We do not tolerate ignorance in our pulpits so why not use a little discrimination in the matter of our music? Good tunes are not difficult but if unfamiliar can be easily learned, and the music in our churches is not for the purpose of entertainment but is for the praise of God. Let us have some more songs like, "Softly and Tenderly, Jesus is Calling," and "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me." It is not a matter of tempo but one of appropriateness.

Siloam Springs, Ark.
REGINALD WESLEY MARTIN
Assoc. Professor of Music
John Brown Univ.

Responsive Chord

Your editorial entitled, "World Conditions Demand Christian Leadership," (September issue) surely strikes a responsive chord from where I sit. I think it is very significant that journals such as yours, usually known as espousing the doctrine that "our citizenship is (only) in Heaven,"

RSV Advertisement

On the opposite page you will find an ad presenting the "Revised Standard Version" of the Bible. *Christian Life* Magazine has not in the past nor does it intend in the future to editorially endorse this version. However, since a number of thorough-going fundamental Christian scholars have recommended its use as a reference, for the information of its readers *Christian Life* makes its pages available to the publisher.—*The Editors.*

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Woman's Place

I shall not try to enumerate the various things I enjoyed in your publication but one article I particularly thought commendable was Margaret Anderson's, "Woman's Place" September issue).

Bangor, Me. Joe Bowman

Saddened and Shocked

I read your editorial yesterday on "The Decline and Fall of the French Nation" (October 1953). It both saddened and shocked me. To my mind it was unkind and, if you will pardon me, unchristian. Christ said, "Judge not that ye be not judged." He further advised us to pick out the beam in our own eye before we proceed to pull out the mote in our brother's. When it comes to beams in the eye, it is my private opinion that the people of America, of which I am one, have plenty of their own. I spent three years in Paris and I hardly ever saw a drunk. In this fair land drunkenness is increasing, with women some of the worst offenders. . . . To me this lovely, ancient city of Paris which has survived so many tragic days, not the least of them, the occupation of their beloved capital by the Nazis, will always be what her great wise man and philosopher Montaigne titled her—"Incomparable Paris."

Santa Barbara, Calif. Winifred Heath

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Just received the Christian Life for October and enjoyed the issue to the fullest. Actually, it wasn't because you printed my brother Art's article relating an incident on Communism, but because of the complete coverage that it had. Then, above all, was the excellent editorial on France. It is one of the best analyses that I have either heard or read. We as TEAM and Young Life missionaries appreciate the challenge to God's people to pray for neglected Europe. The September issue on missions is also to be commended for such a complete world coverage. Many regular missionary magazines are not able to combine an excellence of photography and journalism.

Paris, France Rod Johnston, Missionary
The Evangelical Alliance Mission

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At a noon meeting in Chicago, presided over by D. L. Moody, "a tall, fine, intellectual man with sideburns rose with Bible in hand and gave a short but most interesting talk on the Jews, a people chosen by God to manifest His power and love to a world steeped in deepest idolatry." All over the country, Mr. Blackstone later held meetings—a blessed combination of Bible Study, Evangelism, and Missionary Appeal, combined with beautiful hymns sung by himself, his wife and two sons.

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Power poured into his life, a passion for lost souls, and deep interest in the Jews—fired by his great hope of the near Return of Jesus Christ. He wrote *Jesus is Coming*, the first and greatest book in modern times on the subject; and it went into a million copies in forty-eight languages round the world.

In 1891 he called a conference of Jews and Christians, attended by prominent clergymen and rabbis. Out of it came the Blackstone Petition, signed by 413 outstanding Christian and Jewish leaders, urging President Benjamin Harrison to use his influence to secure an international conference for consideration of the persecutions of Jewish people and their just claims to their ancient homeland. This notable document was sent through the State Department to all the principal nations. Thus Mr. Blackstone antedated Theodore Herzl and the Zionist Movement by five years; and in 1918 was rightly acclaimed by the Zionist Congress in Philadelphia as the "Father of Zionism."

He was a heavy giver to missions and he was later made trustee of not *one* million (as he had prayed) but of the *five million dollar* Stewart Trust Fund for Bibles and tracts.

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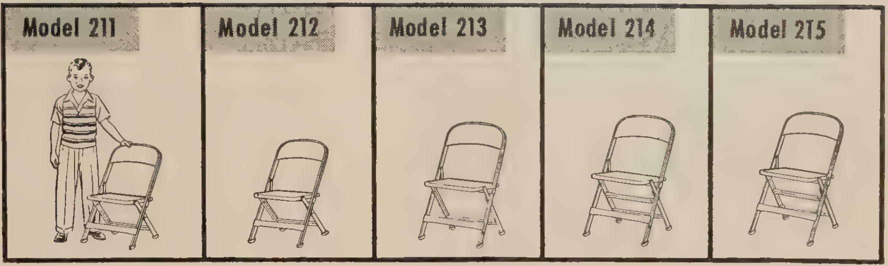

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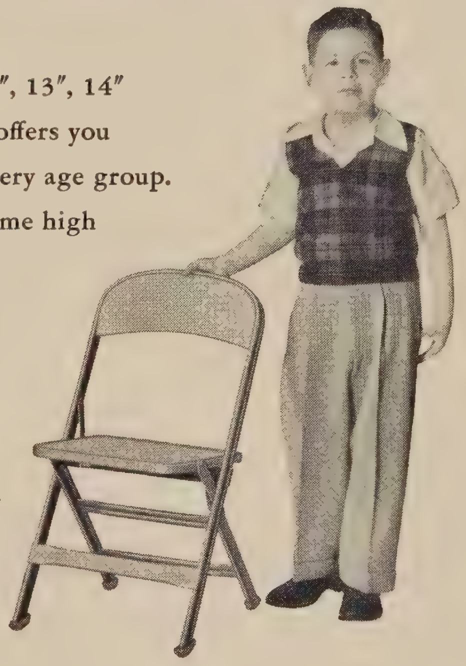

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But in the face of such knowledge, it is surprising that so little is being done by pastors, superintendents and other church leaders to encourage more Christian reading. There is no more positive follow-up for a pastor's Sunday message than a magazine during the week.

Pastors should be so concerned about Christian reading that they post three or four good publications and encourage their members to subscribe to at least one of them.

Sunday school superintendents should recommend to their teachers that each one subscribe to a publication which prints Sunday school helps. It's only being practical. Secular groups would demand it.

A few organizations are doing something to foster increased reading among Christians. One of these, the Evangelical Press Association, which recently set aside October as Evangelical Press Month, is composed of about 90 publishers of books, magazines, papers, tracts and Sunday school materials. In their five year existence the association has done much to help Christian publications perform a more effective ministry as well as to encourage Christians in local churches to back them with their subscriptions.

Working toward the same goal from a slightly different angle is the newly-formed Christian Education Partner Service, a unique organization to bolster the sadly waning church library.

The church library has a great potential, though it's little realized. A glimpse into what a church library can do is given on page 61 in the article, "Why Your Church Needs a Library."

The old-time book table at the church entrance could well be revived in many places. An attractive display of books, magazines and papers would boost the reading habits of church members too.

The responsibility for all this falls back on you who are pastors and active church workers. With your vigorous support, your entire church family will become avid readers. And shortly afterward you will discover that they, because of their reading, will tap you on the shoulder and ask, "Is there some way I can help with the Sunday school?" or "Is there a place of service in the church for me, Pastor?"

We at CHRISTIAN LIFE feel that Christmas is the ideal time to promote Christian literature.

Consequently, featured in this December issue are several articles on Christian reading. Our book review editor, Lloyd Kalland, gives his recommendations for the top book selections of 1953, starting on page 21. Regional Editor, Bernard Palmer, lets CHRISTIAN LIFE readers in on an intimate part of his family life with the article called, "How Our Kids Learned to Read," page 24.

We hope that, after reading this issue, you will put several Christian books and Christian magazine subscriptions on your Christmas shopping list.

1953 Editorial Platform

1. **Stimulate missionary vision and action by on the spot reporting of world missions.**
2. **Strengthen and develop Sunday schools.**
3. **Foster strong Christian family life.**
4. **Create a hunger for the Spirit-filled life.**

Up in the Air Again

FLYING saucers are in the news again. Recent publication of *Flying Saucers From Outer Space,* a book written by a retired Marine Corps officer, has stirred the air again. His conclusion is that "flying saucers" are from another planet.

The Department of Defense comments, "The Air Force has never denied that this possibility exists. Some of the personnel believe that there may be some strange natural phenomena completely unknown to us, but that if the apparently controlled maneuvers reported by competent observers are correct, then the only remaining explanation is the interplanetary answer."

In October, 1952, CHRISTIAN LIFE published an article, "Is There Spiritual Significance in Flying Saucers?" While scientists still do not have all the answers and most theologians decline comment, the Christian citizen is showing intense interest in the strange phenomenon of the flying saucer.

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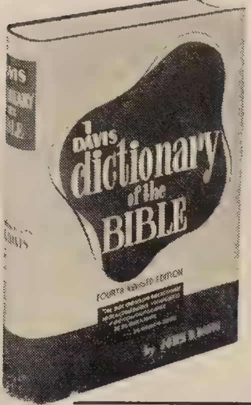

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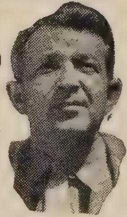

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Magazine business has boomed for Miss Haygood.

Parcel Post Missionary

by Vivienne George

ONE little tract started the whole thing. During the latter part of World War II, Miss LaDeva Haygood of Philomath, Ore., rather timidly wrote to congratulate Sandy, a Seabee pal of her brother who had been saved just before shipping out for the Philippines. On an impulse as she was sealing the envelope, she slipped in a tract.

She was unprepared for Sandy's enthusiastic reply, "Christian reading material is scarce over here. Please send more, lots more!" But she immediately began collecting surplus magazines, church school leaflets and study sheets for weekly mailings, first to Sandy, then by urgent request to Sandy's company chaplain.

Before long she received an air mail request from a native pastor for "some of that good reading" for use at his mission station, for, as he explained, "all of our Bibles, book and printing presses here are destroyed by the Japanese army."

LaDeva's answer, a five pound parcel of used magazines, promptly drew airmail letters from 13 other pastors. The first pastor had been host to a workers' conference at the time the parcel had arrived.

"I started out with one tract and almost got snowed under," says LaDeva, explaining the boxes, bundles and stacks of magazines that today clutter her living room, bedroom, and sometimes spill over into part of the kitchen.

When LaDeva turned to tract distribution to compensate for a physical handicap that left her unable to realize her greatest desire, that of going in person to the mission field, she little realized that this service would one day grow into full-time proportions. Today not one, but 15 mission stations are receiving the benefit of her work, being enabled to carry on a full-blast evangelism campaign using door-to-door distribution of the literature LaDeva sends.

Although she still longs to experience life on the foreign field, LaDeva gets a vicarious thrill from the day-to-day accounts she gleans from letters from the stations. A place on LaDeva's regular mailing list automatically "adopts" the receiver into her missionary "family" and in between monthly mailings, which today average around 200 pounds, she prays faithfully for each one, besides writing personal notes of encouragement about their projects.

She has shared by mail in five weddings and last month was overjoyed at the announcement that a tiny new "LaDeva" had arrived at one of the stations.

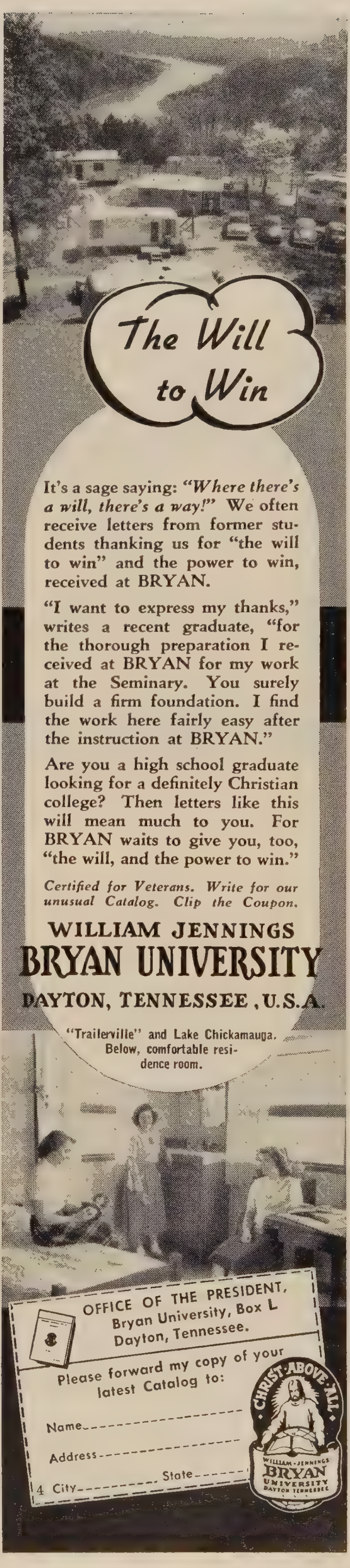
Physically disabled and without a personal income, LaDeva relies entirely upon the Lord's supply both for postage and for the magazines, Bibles, and Sunday school supplies she sends. Neighbors, members of the Baptist church she attends and Gideons save surplus literature for her, which goes without regard of denomination to "any mission preaching Christ and His salvation."

Once her own pastor mentioned her activities at a Winona Lake Bible conference. Her brave attempt to serve the Lord in spite of her handicap caught the imagination of the attendants at the conference and they went home, carrying her address with them. Since then, she has received supplies from all but five states in the U.S. One source of supplies has come from Mrs. Billy Sunday.

Actually, her personal postal volume has been responsible for raising the status of Philomath post office, which serves only about 1,200 people, from fourth to second class rating.

One of her biggest thrills came when a young man on one of the islands, encouraged by her literature and later by her personal letters, dedicated his life to full time service. When he came to train at Simpson Bible Institute in Seattle, LaDeva was delighted that he made a special trip to Philomath to thank her face to face for her part in his ministry. He has since returned to the Philippines, where he and his wife have charge of evangelizing one entire island.

However, LaDeva disclaims any credit for herself. "I only lick the stamps for the Lord," she says, hurrying to make the outgoing mail with another parcel. END



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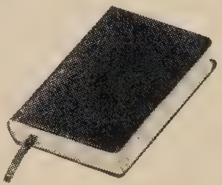

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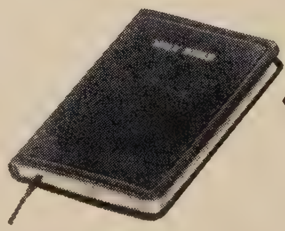

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The Birth of the Christ Child

In the heart of Elmhurst, Ill., last year, stood a manger scene typifying the community-wide campaign, "Put Christ Back Into Christmas."

How One Town Exalts Christ at Christmas

The Junior Chamber of Commerce, using business publicity and promotional methods, gives a real spiritual tone to Christmas in Elmhurst, Ill.

SANTA CLAUS was demoted in Elmhurst, Ill., last year, thanks to the efforts of the local Junior Chamber of Commerce.

A nativity scene was erected in the heart of the business district, spotlights on front lawns revealed wise men following a star, dentists shoved religious tracts into their monthly billings, and signs in city buses urged residents to "Put Christ Back Into Christmas."

The result: Christmas, 1952, was different in Elmhurst, a rapidly-expanding suburb of 20,000 residents, 15 miles west of Chicago. Because of the campaign's success in Elmhurst and other towns, a wave of similar programs has swept communities of all shapes and sizes across the country this year.

Santa Claus was still present. He still possessed his auspicious seat in the community's half-dozen toy departments. And an occasional dissenting merchant permitted Santa's sleigh to romp across his store window.

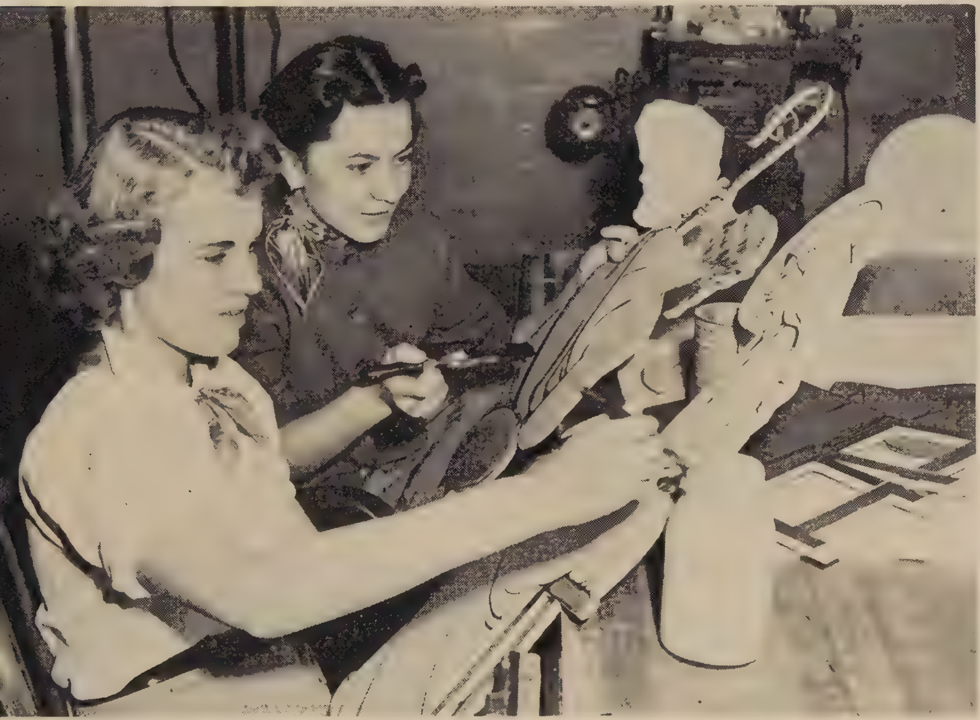
But the emphasis was on Christ. And the Jaycees (popular name for the Junior Chamber of Commerce) had succeeded in their initial campaign to "Put Christ Back Into Christmas."

By New Year's day, Jaycee leaders were spotting flaws in their campaign and resolved to better it in 1953. "We've got to make it an annual affair," they said. The townsfolk thought so too.

Although it was a laymen's project, clergymen gave their fullest cooperation. "It's better for a lay group to take over. It shows that a civic organization is thinking of the importance of Christmas and what it means to people," said Rev. Jack MacDonald, of the Grace Bible Church.

A campaign's success is judged by how often home decorations remember Christ.

At the Lutheran orphanage, boys cut out nativity figures for the manger scene.



Girls of the orphanage paint figures, before erecting manger in downtown Elmhurst.

Rev. Lester Dacken of the Presbyterian church agreed, "It's a wonderful idea."

Of course, the entire ministerial association of Elmhurst supported the plan wholeheartedly. Several ministers promoted the plan in their sermons, one announced it via radio, others commended it to fellow pastors at regional denominational conclaves.

Schools, too, bannered the "Put Christ Back Into Christmas" theme. At York High School in Elmhurst, English classes wrote essays, art classes painted posters, speech classes gave talks and woodworking classes constructed nativity scenes, all centered around the campaign slogan.

Every classroom had a placard proclaiming, "Put Christ Back Into Christmas." The entire student body gathered for an assembly at which a representative of the Jaycees presented the idea.

The town librarian inserted reminders of the campaign in every book that left the doors of the library. The local lumber company furnished free patterns of nativity cribs for the town's amateur carpenters. *The Elmhurst Press* featured the event in its editorials.

The display in the heart of the business district was erected by orphans from the Lutheran Child Welfare Association. Robert Schlesselman, principal of the orphanage school and manual training teacher, helped students with plans.

The crib and all figures in the manger scene were constructed and assembled by youngsters in the manual training class of the orphanage. The display prominently featured such scripture passages as Matt. 1: 18-25, Matt. 2: 1-12 and Luke 2: 1-20.

The records played along the York street shopping center were Christmas carols, while "Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer" and his musical contemporaries were publicly neglected.

The boy scouts were asked to help. Campaign leaders suggested they distribute leaflets to every house in Elmhurst. The scouts gladly complied.

Supplies to boost the campaign came from a Milwaukee printer, so sold on the project that he helps several communities boost the same project each year.

Even the city mayor announced it in an official proclamation.

Led by Bill Simonini and Frank Rebek, the Jaycees asked that the reminder, "Put Christ Back Into Christmas," be noted on water bills, postage meters, bank notices, public service bills and bus ads. Local agencies readily cooperated.

In short, the town was saturated with the theme, "Put Christ Back Into Christmas."

By the time the work was completed, 22 members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce had devoted 450 man hours to sell their program. The cost of the entire affair was less than $500, and a good share of the bill was footed by the local Jaycee chapter, one of 2,000 scattered across the country. The Elmhurst Jaycees, composed of all denominations and faiths, agreed regardless of religious differences that Christ deserved the prominent place in Christmas and an extensive promotional campaign was worthy of their wholehearted support.

Elmhurst, composed largely of families earning above-average incomes, had been struck hard by materialism and commercialism. Metropolitan Chicago's State street had lured the suburbanites into swallowing the dollar line. The place of Christ in Christmas was at low ebb; it was confined to church scenes, Sunday school pageants and a scattered number of Christian homes.

Consequently, at the general meeting of the Jaycees early in October, Bill Simonini presented his idea. He mentioned that the idea wasn't original; he had seen how nearby Evanston, Ill., had worked it out. Other towns had done it too. But he thought it was worth trying in Elmhurst. He stressed what such a project could mean in terms of each individual in the community. "We want to awaken in the people of Elmhurst the full spiritual significance of Christmas," he said.

When the group of Jaycees approved, the members fanned out, as *The Elmhurst Press* described it: "Bill Koch contacted the schools and arranged for 110

Businessmen took time out from Christmas "rush" schedules to push the campaign into every phase of the average Elmhurst citizen's life.

posters to be displayed in the classrooms; Frank Rebek arranged for Simonini to describe the campaign on a popular daytime television show; he also wrote to five other radio and television stations to arrange for publicity; Joe Lanser met with the Senior Chamber of Commerce and obtained its endorsement of the project and a promise of cooperation from its members."

In the campaign literature was written, "If we succeed even a little bit in doing this, our community and we as individuals will become that much stronger in the fight against those forces which aim to put Christ not only out of Christmas but out of every day of our lives."

In such a campaign with general public backing, it cannot be determined how many residents were brought to realize that the Babe of Bethlehem became the Christ of Calvary. Yet wherever the name of Christ is proclaimed, there is conviction; and wherever the Bible is uplifted, there is power.

This year the campaign to "Put Christ Back Into Christmas" has gained increasing popularity. Such large cities as Akron, Ohio, and Santa Monica, Calif., are concentrating their efforts. A popular song was written to the words of the theme and the National Temperance League is planning a new campaign against Christmas drinking through the sale of half a million stamps, labeled, "Let's Put Christ Into Christmas."

The heyday for excessive commercialism of Christmas may be waning. And as more communities follow the pattern of Elmhurst, Evanston, Akron and Santa Monica, Christ may regain His rightful place of honor each December. END

Posters of all sizes for all purposes were distributed with the same message.

Put Christ back into Christmas

If Pierre accepted Jesus, the landlady would surely put him and his invalid mother out in the streets. And Pierre could not afford another room.

THE GIFT OF

by Margaret Williams

PIERRE shivered as he set down his basket of holly and mistletoe to wrap the black knitted scarf more tightly about his chest. The gray December dampness penetrated his thin overcoat and seemed to go right through him. But if only the missionary lady would come by, he wouldn't mind the drizzly cold and the hard cobblestone sidewalk. He wouldn't even mind so much selling evergreens and holly along with two old peasant women on this busy Brussels street.

For the missionary lady had given Maman a beautiful little book a few weeks ago. Maman couldn't read very well but Pierre had finished sixth grade last year. He read it aloud to her. Then they locked it up, for Madame Claudel, the landlady, must not find out they had it. She hated Protestants. Pierre knew the reason. If she kept Protestants in her house, the priest would warn his people against her. Then her house would get a bad name and how would she, a lone woman, make a living?

That was why Pierre had prayed at the shrine this morning. He had asked the good God to send the missionary lady to tell him more about the Evangile she had given them. And he asked Him not to let Madame Claudel put them in the street.

He picked up his basket again and continued his monotonous task. "Holly, mistletoe," he called, looking wistfully at each passer-by. He could hear the kindly flower women in their dark cotton aprons and black shawls as they muttered to one another.

"Let the boy have the business today, Josephine. He's so young to be caring for his widowed mother. She says he'll be 13 on the fete of Saint Michael but he doesn't look more than ten with his pinched face and big brown eyes."

"You're right, Maria. May the blessed Virgin help the poor thing. Look, there come some of the rich Americans."

Pierre, too, had spotted them and called loudly in his best broken English picked up from the foreigners.

"Zee bee-u-tee-ful greens. Madame, Monsieur. Cheap. Five francs only!"

He looked up pleadingly at the tall couple and the fair-haired little girl who stopped a moment, genuine sympathy on their faces. The gentleman smiled at him kindly. Then to Pierre's amazement he reached into his wallet and handed him a hundred franc note. Before Pierre could even thank him or give the little girl some flowers, they were gone in the crowd.

"One hundred francs, Josephine, Maria! Surely the good God is helping me."

As Pierre sang out his holly and mistletoe he looked anxiously up and down the street. Certainly the missionary lady wouldn't pass without stopping.

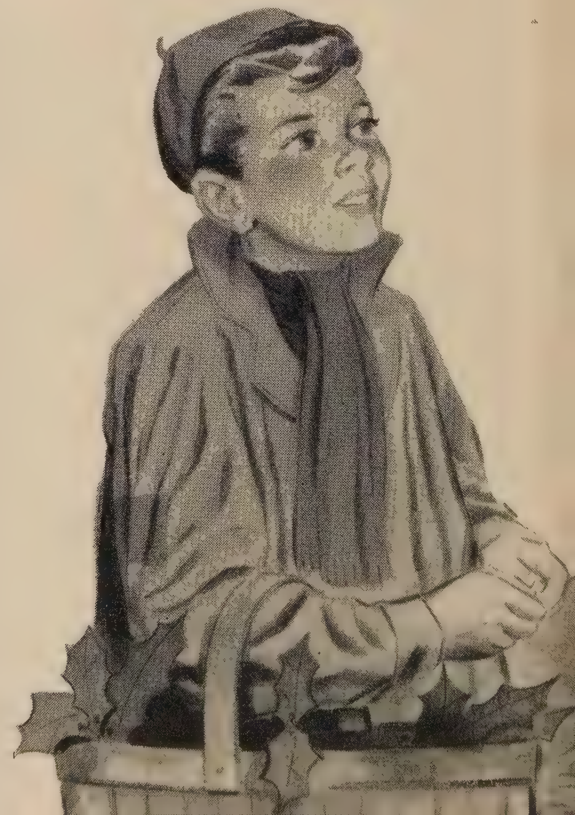
It was nearly noon. The flower women packed up their baskets and went home for some hot coffee.

Pierre leaned against the stone building behind him to rest a little. He closed his eyes and it seemed hardly a minute had passed when a soft voice said, "Why, Pierre, what are you doing here? I was looking for your mother."

"Oh, Madame, you have come," he cried, his face lighting up. "Maman is ill. She told me you would come today and asked if you will please tell us more about the beautiful book, the Evangile that you gave us."

The missionary looked down at the eager face. "Would you like to belong to the Lord Jesus the book talks about, Pierre?"

"Yes, yes, Madame. We both would. But you see, we cannot let Madame Claudel, our landlady, know



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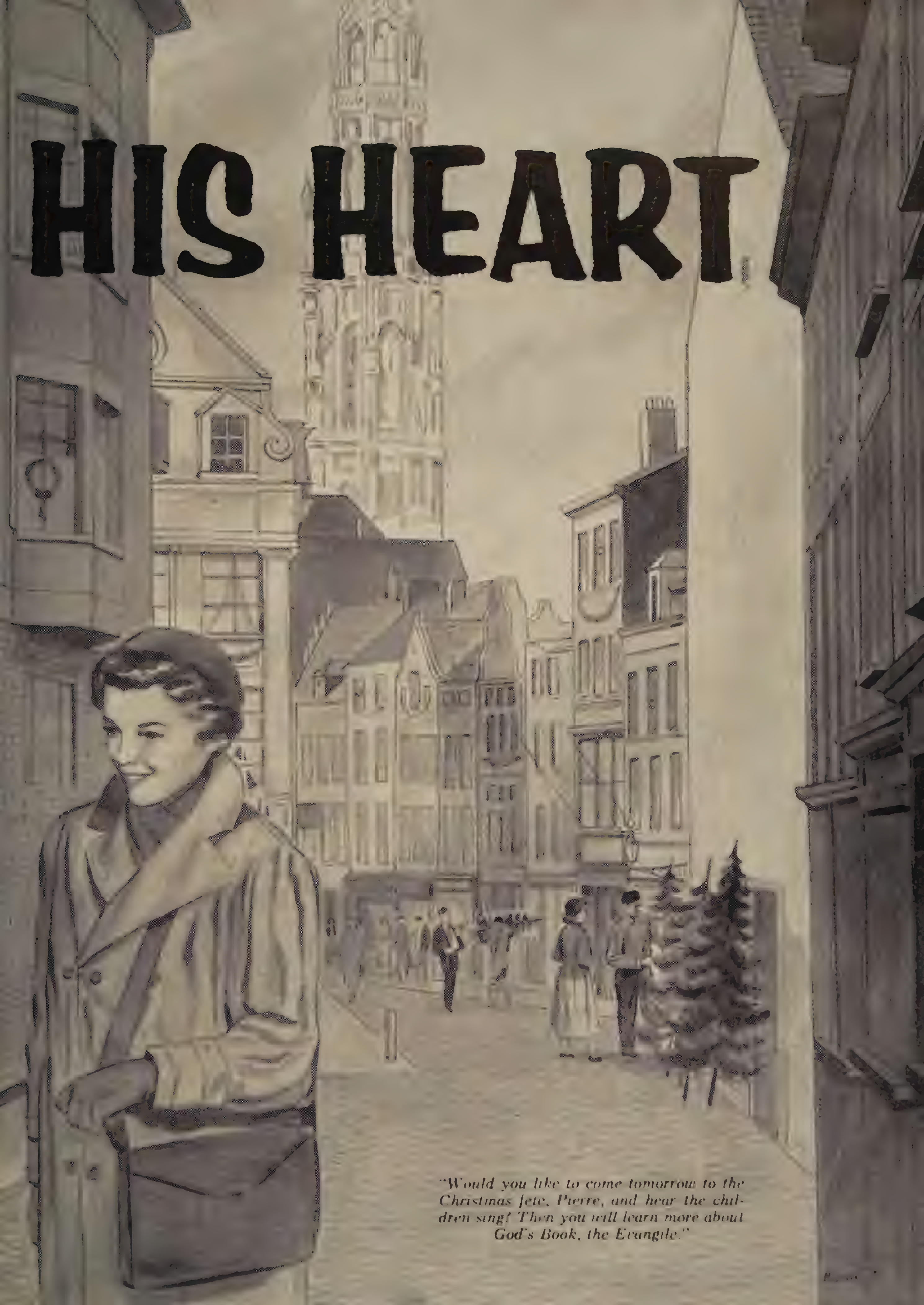

"Would you like to come tomorrow to the Christmas fete, Pierre, and hear the children sing? Then you will learn more about God's Book, the Evangile."

about it. She would not let us stay. And nowhere else can we find lodging as cheap as in her basement."

"If you ask the Lord Jesus to make you His child, Pierre, He will forgive your sins and He will always take care of you."

"But I must go first to purgatory."

"No, Pierre, He will forgive all your sins now, as soon as you ask Him. And when you die He will take you to heaven to be with Him."

He looked at her in astonishment. "No purgatory, Madame? Why, Maman has paid for masses for my father's soul ever since he died!"

"Oh, Pierre," she said gently, "God's book says nothing about purgatory. God does not make His children buy their salvation. It is free for all who accept His gift."

"How I wish Maman were here to talk to you. But I will tell her all you have said."

"Would you like to come tomorrow to the Christmas fete, Pierre, and hear the children sing? Then you will hear more of the Evangile, and there will be some little presents for all the young people."

"I would like to come very much, Madame, thank you," he said gratefully.

"Then I'll look for you tomorrow at half-past two at the Evangelical Hall." The smile she gave him as she left made him glad he'd waited for her.

But after she'd gone the words came back to him. "The Evangelical Hall." Why, he couldn't go there! The priest said something would happen to you if you go to the Protestant meetings. He must tell the lady he couldn't come. He ran quickly after her but she wasn't down the street. Slowly he walked back and picked up his basket, then started home.

He had reached the building where in a niche stood the statue of the Virgin and Child. Pierre had often stopped to pray to the Virgin. But lately he'd been praying to the good God. The book didn't talk about praying to the Virgin. He stopped now and thanked God for hearing his prayer that morning. He'd done more than Pierre had asked Him. He'd sent the missionary lady and money for the rent, too.

Turning into a narrow cobblestone street he entered a dilapidated house and went back to their dark basement room. A feeling of anger swept over him as it often did when he came home. Madame Claudel had no right to get after them about the rent when Maman was so sick. *Serve her right if no one rented from her,* he thought resentfully. *I'd just like to see her break her leg and stay in bed awhile herself.*

"That you, Pierrot?" called a weak voice from the back room.

"Yes, Maman."

"And did she come?" she asked eagerly.

"Yes, Maman. And look what I've brought you." He emptied the money pouch onto the faded cotton blanket.

"The saints be praised, son. What a good boy you are! How did you get so much? Only on fete days have I sold so much."

"The good God sent it," he said simply.

"Oh, Pierre, now we can pay Madame Claudel and we can stay another month!" The dull eyes looked brighter than Pierre had seen them for days.

"But tell me, child, what did the missionary lady say?"

"She said God could forgive our sins now and we don't ever have to go to purgatory."

"What do we do then to have our sins forgiven?"

"Just ask the good God to forgive them. But—what if Madame Claudel found out?"

"She would put us out immediately."

There didn't seem to be any way out. All afternoon as he stood selling his greenery he tried and tried to think how they could be God's children. *If only I could go to the Evangelical Hall,* he thought, *maybe the missionary lady would have found a way.*

The next morning he began sadly thinking about it all over again. He did want to go to the Evangelical Hall. But would it bring bad luck? The priest had said that the Protestant Book was a bad Book. Pierre knew now it was a good Book for he'd read it. The priest said there was a purgatory and the good lady said that wasn't true or the Book would tell about it. Why should Pierre believe what the priest said about going to the Protestant hall? He'd risk it. And he'd do an errand so Maman wouldn't suspect where he'd gone and worry about him.

He got up and made the fire, measured the coffee and chicory and put them into the bag in the coffee pot, then set the kettle of water on the front of the stove.

"Maman," he called and his voice trembled with excitement as an idea came to him. "Tonight I am going to bring home two slices of ham to eat with our bread and margarine tartines. We'll have a feast together because it's almost Christmas. And it will make you stronger, Maman."

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BETHLEHEM—1953

by Tom Lambie

BETHLEHEM has not changed much since the days of Christ. Oh, yes, there are the curio and mother-of-pearl and olive wood shops, there is a tourist agency and two filling stations which seem much out of place, there are many Roman Catholic and Greek Orthodox churches with crosses and statues of the virgin mother and Child, and many nunneries.

But the common people have not changed much. It is practically the same little town of Bethlehem, the same crooked lanes and streets, the same blue sky overhead, the same camels and sheep and donkeys, the same good bread and meat, the same views of the mountains of Moab far to the east.

Bethlehem's one night of fame, 1953 or 1957 years ago, has forever dated it, has forever glorified it, has forever written it on the tablets of the history of the world.

What a wonderful glad event; the tender virgin, the attentive Joseph, the little newborn Babe, the shepherds, the glory light from heaven.

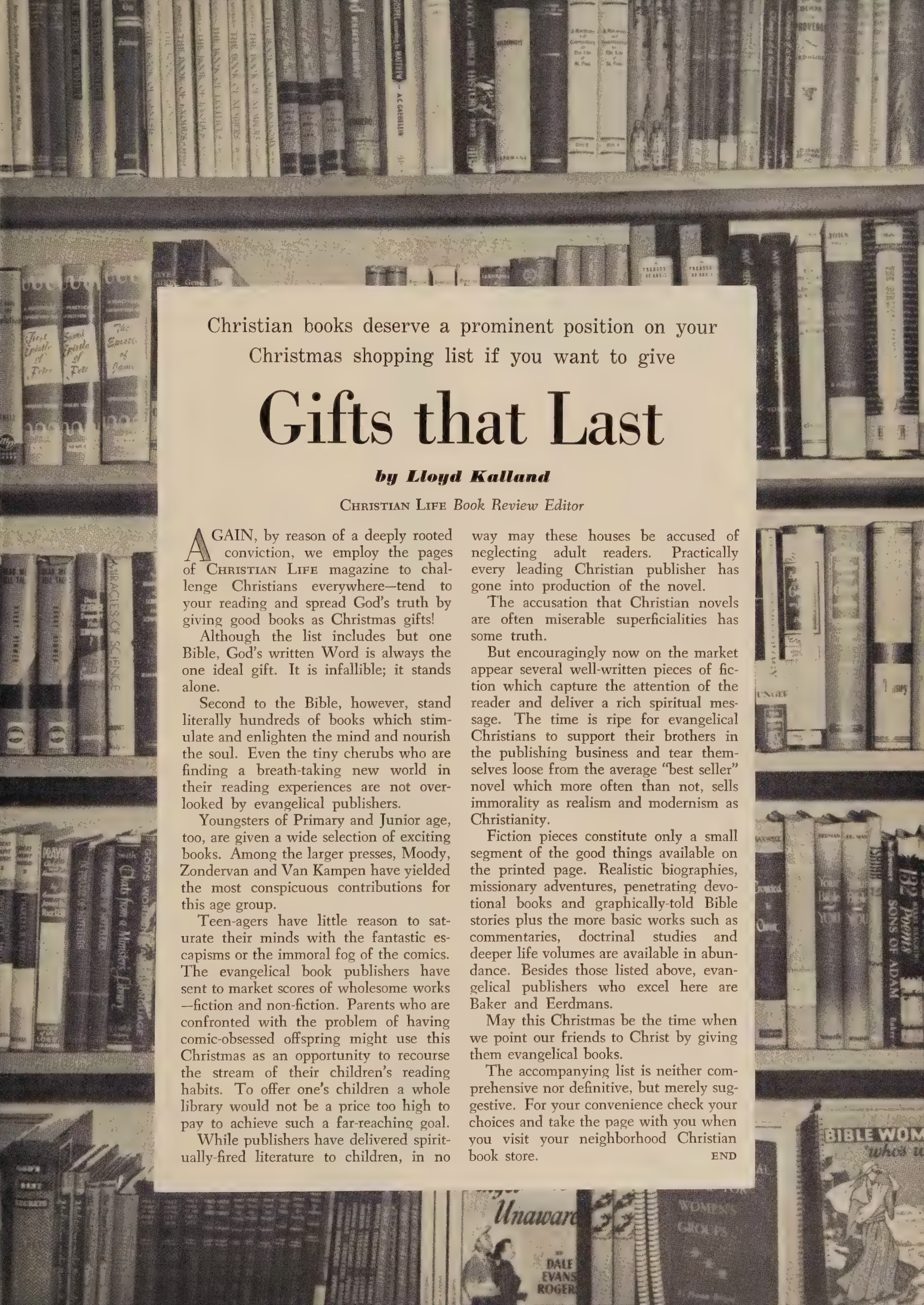
The importance of that event can never be exaggerated. St. Paul says, "Until Christ be formed (or born) in you." *You* are to be His Bethlehem—"Christ formed (or born) in you."

The babe was wrapped in swaddling clothes. The swaddling bands, by the way, are not at all what we imagine from sacred pictures showing a kind of bandage bound around from head to foot. Instead of this, it is something like a double figure eight around head, body and feet that can be taken off quickly and replaced as quickly and is applied over other clothes, usually a little nightshirt. Someone, usually the mother, must apply it. How many, many times in the Holy Land have I waited in my medical work for the mother to undo the swaddling clothes fastened so tightly around the tiny mite who could not move hand or foot! Yes, being born anew and following Christ means the swaddling clothes, the inability to move except by the Father's will. Has this been so in your case? No movement except it be in God's will?

He was laid in a manger—I hope Joseph put some fragrant hay in that manger for the little Lord Jesus to lie upon. Usually what they have is some smelly old wheat straw broken by the animals' feet in threshing it and soiled by their droppings. I hope Joseph found something better for our little Lord Jesus to nest upon. Yet many of us have to lie in unpleasant places if Christ be born in us by the sweet compelling of love. No innerspring mattress and snowy sheets for Mary's holy Child. The most difficult place of abode is blessed if it be in His will for us.

So lift up your heads, proclaim the angels' story. Christ is born, Hallelujah!

From Bethlehem, the birthplace of the Savior, we are praying that Christ might be born in you this Christmas season.



Christian books deserve a prominent position on your Christmas shopping list if you want to give

Gifts that Last

by Lloyd Kalland

CHRISTIAN LIFE *Book Review Editor*

AGAIN, by reason of a deeply rooted conviction, we employ the pages of CHRISTIAN LIFE magazine to challenge Christians everywhere—tend to your reading and spread God's truth by giving good books as Christmas gifts!

Although the list includes but one Bible, God's written Word is always the one ideal gift. It is infallible; it stands alone.

Second to the Bible, however, stand literally hundreds of books which stimulate and enlighten the mind and nourish the soul. Even the tiny cherubs who are finding a breath-taking new world in their reading experiences are not overlooked by evangelical publishers.

Youngsters of Primary and Junior age, too, are given a wide selection of exciting books. Among the larger presses, Moody, Zondervan and Van Kampen have yielded the most conspicuous contributions for this age group.

Teen-agers have little reason to saturate their minds with the fantastic escapisms or the immoral fog of the comics. The evangelical book publishers have sent to market scores of wholesome works—fiction and non-fiction. Parents who are confronted with the problem of having comic-obsessed offspring might use this Christmas as an opportunity to recourse the stream of their children's reading habits. To offer one's children a whole library would not be a price too high to pay to achieve such a far-reaching goal.

While publishers have delivered spiritually-fired literature to children, in no way may these houses be accused of neglecting adult readers. Practically every leading Christian publisher has gone into production of the novel.

The accusation that Christian novels are often miserable superficialities has some truth.

But encouragingly now on the market appear several well-written pieces of fiction which capture the attention of the reader and deliver a rich spiritual message. The time is ripe for evangelical Christians to support their brothers in the publishing business and tear themselves loose from the average "best seller" novel which more often than not, sells immorality as realism and modernism as Christianity.

Fiction pieces constitute only a small segment of the good things available on the printed page. Realistic biographies, missionary adventures, penetrating devotional books and graphically-told Bible stories plus the more basic works such as commentaries, doctrinal studies and deeper life volumes are available in abundance. Besides those listed above, evangelical publishers who excel here are Baker and Eerdmans.

May this Christmas be the time when we point our friends to Christ by giving them evangelical books.

The accompanying list is neither comprehensive nor definitive, but merely suggestive. For your convenience check your choices and take the page with you when you visit your neighborhood Christian book store. END

Christian Life Book Selections of 1953

by Lloyd Kalland, *Book Review Editor*

THE author of Ecclesiastes needed no apologetic to prove his statement, "of making many books there is no end." Books are everywhere.

University, public school and seminary libraries bulge with them. The shelves of public libraries are packed. Corner book stores are crammed. They flood over shelves, tables and aisles of musty second-hand book shops. They have found their way into homes, automobiles, streetcars, buses, trains and airplanes. And yet the presses roll noisily on.

Approximately 5,000 new titles are added annually to the books-in-print list. Even Christian publications mount to several hundred each year. Certainly then an attempt to stay abreast of today's reading market is a quest of futility. But, on the other hand, to completely ignore one's reading is to commit intellectual and spiritual suicide. An in-between position must be taken; this demands discernment.

To aid in this direction CHRISTIAN LIFE has endeavored, by means of its monthly lead selections, to suggest titles of signal importance. The 1953 selections are here given in brief. (For further information see Check List, page 23.)

CHRISTIAN LIFE
book selection
of the month

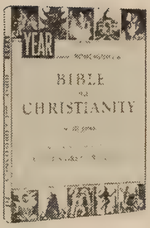
JANUARY

Hitchcock's Topical Bible
Nave's TOPICAL BIBLE

NAVE'S TOPICAL BIBLE
HITCHCOCK'S TOPICAL BIBLE
and CRUDEN'S CONCORDANCE

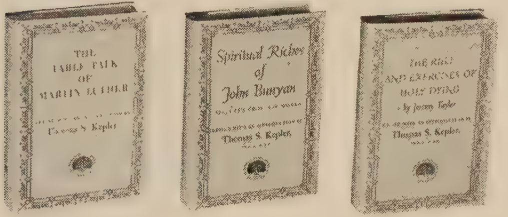
These reference works, which sweep into immediate focus a huge supply of texts on every significant biblical subject, lend themselves as effective tools in spiritual research. Hitchcock's volume is a classification of the Bible verses, whereas Nave's is a topical analysis of all the important material within the verses.

FEBRUARY



BIBLE AND CHRISTIANITY: A Picture History of the World's Great Religions.

This is an ambitious effort to trace the story of religion throughout history. It is questionable that there exists anywhere today such a complete and graphic presentation of the entire sweep of Christianity capable of being so easily and painlessly absorbed by the layman. This volume is a good investment for any church or home library.


THE TABLE TALK OF MARTIN LUTHER
Spiritual Riches of John Bunyan
THE RULE AND EXERCISES OF HOLY DYING

MARCH

THE TABLE TALK OF MARTIN LUTHER.
THE RULE AND EXERCISES OF HOLY DYING. By Jeremy Taylor
SPIRITUAL RICHES OF JOHN BUNYAN.

Volumes four, five and six in the handsome series of the *World Devotional Classics.* Readers will delight in the three varying, but graceful literary styles, expose themselves to some penetrating theological and spiritual ideas and thrill to the firm grasp expressed by all three authors on practical Christian living.

APRIL

FAITH
A SYMPOSIUM OF BIBLE DOCTRINE

THE FAITH: A Symposium of Bible Doctrine.
Edited by Frederick A. Tatford.

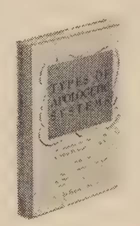
This volume displays in simplified style some of the principal doctrines of the Christian faith. Each of the 25 authors has contributed a doctrinal study one chapter in length. The volume moves with scholarly acuteness from a study of the Godhead through man, sin, redemption, things to come and Christian living, finding orthodoxy everywhere.

MAY

DAILY LIFE OF EARLY CHRISTIANS.
By J. G. Davies.

By relating the biographies of six church leaders, all living within the first five centuries of the New Testament church, Davies sketches the habits, superstitions, the hour by hour routine—including even the menus—of these early people. For the home, church and school libraries this is a noteworthy contribution.

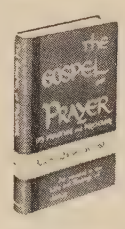
JUNE



TYPES OF APOLOGETIC SYSTEMS. By Bernard Ramm.

As a text for an introductory course in Christian apologetics, this book fills a capital need. All things considered, the book is simple enough to be understood, brief enough to hold the interest of the college freshman and comprehensive enough to be useful. Ramm seems to have a firm grasp of historic Christianity's apologetic thought.

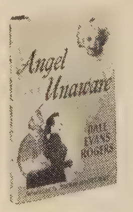
JULY



THE GOSPEL OF PRAYER. By Albert Wieand.

This instructional work is not only readable and highly suggestive, but it is a warm stimulant toward a deeper life of rigorous prayer as well. Both God and man are given thorough attention. This timely, personal treatment of this highly important subject should prove to be a source book of fertile biblical information for all Christian libraries.

AUGUST



ANGEL UNAWARE. By Dale Evans Rogers.

This is a story of Roy and Dale Rogers' daughter Robin, who was found to be a mongoloid. In this brief testimony lies a pure, scriptural, universal yet decidedly personal message. It is a message which will cause love to flow to the Rogers' family, to the Lord they have come to know and trust, and will be a solace and source of spiritual strength for today's conflict.

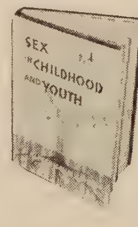
SEPTEMBER

The Sage and The Olive

THE SAGE AND THE OLIVE. By Florence Barton.

With a full storehouse of historical facts coming out of the early years of the Reformation in France, the author with a smooth literary style discloses a fascinating story seasoned with snatches of descriptive excellence. Its passionate unfolding of the truth of God's soverign grace will warm the cockles of the heart and cause Protestants to realize that they are heirs of a mighty heritage.

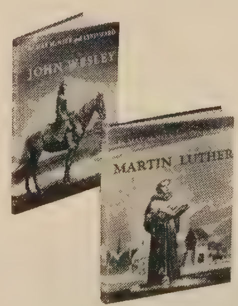
OCTOBER



SEX IN CHILDHOOD AND YOUTH.
By Alfred Schmieding.

This book is not a literary classic nor is it especially delightful reading; it is rather a plain-speaking, enlightening story that instructs and inspires parents to come to grips with this ever-present task of guiding their children into the facts of sex education by means of pure, equitable teachings. It is not only a manual of instruction but also a challenge to teachers and parents.

NOVEMBER



MARTIN LUTHER. By McNeer and Ward.
JOHN WESLEY. By McNeer and Ward.

Two children's books of worth and exceptional beauty. The authors have brought to young readers these two fascinating epochs in history where in the midst of immorality and dead church-anity consecrated men led the way back to God. Every library, especially if there are children in the family, should contain these artistic pieces.

Check List for Christmas Book Giving

When you do your Christmas shopping, don't forget to take this list of books with you.

Christian books are always welcome gifts at Christmas-time.

For Children

Tiny Words About the Beginning. *By R. L. McNaughton. Van Kampen. 22 pages.* $ .75.
For ages 3 to 5.

Bedtime Stories for Boys and Girls. *Compiled by T. W. Engstrom. Zondervan. 162 pages.* $1.95.
All the stories have a spiritual emphasis. For ages 3 to 8.

Stories for the Children's Hour. *By K. N. Taylor. Moody. 190 pages.* $2.50.
Excellent material. For ages 5 to 11.

A Reward for Jerry. *By G. R. MacMullen. Sword of the Lord. 96 pages.* $1.25.
For ages 8 to 12.

Teddy and the "Witch's" Lamp. *By E. S. Pederson. Moody. 75 pages.* $ .75.
For ages 8 to 12.

Golden Boy. *By B. Palmer. Van Kampen. 95 pages.* $1.
For boys ages 8 to 12.

The Triplets Go to Camp. *By B. B. Moore. Eerdmans. 83 pages.* $1.
This whole triplet series is good. For ages 7 to 12.

Sam at Dusky Hollow. *By H. Van Laar. Moody. 57 pages.* $ .85.
For ages 8 to 12.

Mysterious Passage. *By D. Winslow. Zondervan. 93 pages.* $1.
For ages 8 to 12.

Ginger and the Glacier Express. *By D. G. Johnston. Van Kampen. 104 pages.* $1.
There are other good Ginger books. For girls ages 12 to 14.

Koko and the Timber Thieves. *By B. Miller. Zondervan. 71 pages.* $1.
Basil Miller's books have a distinct spiritual emphasis. For ages 9 to 14.

Trap Line Thief at Sugar Creek. *By P. Hutchens. Van Kampen. 103 pages.* $1.
For ages 9 to 14.

The Children's Cook Book: *Let's Have Fun Cooking. Compiled by F. Youngren. Moody. 64 pages.* $1.
A unique gift. For girls ages 9 to 12.

261 Handcrafts *and* Fun for Little Ones. *Prepared by E. Doon. Zondervan. 93 pages.* $1.50.
A fascinating book for pre-school and primary ages 4 to 9.

Martin Luther. *By M. McNeer and L. Ward. Abingdon-Cokesbury. 96 pages.* $2.50.
Exceptionally well done. For ages 8 to 14.

John Wesley. *By M. McNeer and L. Ward. Abingdon-Cokesbury. 96 pages.* $2.50.
Same high quality as *Martin Luther.* for ages 8 to 14.

> If I have faltered more or less
> In my great task of happiness.
> If beams from happy human eyes
> Have moved me not; if morning skies,
> Books, and my food, and summer rain
> Knocked on my sullen heart in vain:—
> Lord, thy most pointed pleasure take
> And stab my spirit broad awake.
> *—Robert Louis Stevenson*

Man-eaters Don't Knock. *By C. Ludwig. Scripture Press. 69 pages.* $1.
A missionary adventure story realistically told.

The Oyster Pinates. *By L. A. Hunt. Van Kampen. 92 pages.* $1.
For ages 9 to 12.

Let Youth Sing. *By H. D. Loes. Van Kampen. 121 pages.* $1.
Young singers would appreciate this beautiful song book. For ages 9 to 15.

Journey to Freedom. *By M. Bach. Eerdmans. 117 pages.* $1.50.
Early New England, Indians, the Gospel and a victory—a good plot for junior reading.

For Parents

Daily Light on the Daily Path. *Harper. Approx. 725 pages. $3.50 leather.*
A good devotional book in pocket size.

The Book of Life. *Arranged and edited by N. M. Hall and I. F. Wood. Rudin. 8 vols. Each more than 500 pages. $49.75 (set) Blue Fabrikoid. $37.75 (set) Green Bookcloth.*
Buy the 21st Edition only (1953). For parents with young children.

Angel Unaware. *By D. E. Rogers. Revell. 63 pages.* $1.
Purposeful reading especially for the depressed and confused.

Sex in Childhood and Youth. *By A. Schmieding. Concordia. 158 pages.* $1.85.
A balanced study on an important subject. For parents with young children.

Faith's Checkbook. *By C. H. Spurgeon. Moody. 374 pages.* $3.
Straight, biblical devotional reading. A message for each day of the year.

Hurlbut's Story of the Bible. *By J. L. Hurlbut. Winston. 655 pages.* $4.95.
Biblically sound and artistically masterful. For parents with young children.

Child's Story Bible. *By C. Vos. Eerdmans. 732 pages.* $3.95.
For scriptural interpretation this is the best on the market. For parents with young children.

Best Bible Verses. *By H. H. Halley. Halley. 648 pages.* $2.
Select verses from each book of the Bible. Some listed under various topics.

The Moody Bible Story Book. *By G. Ingwersen. (Rewritten for English readers.) Moody. 639 pages.* $4.95.
These stories are simply told, artistically illustrated. For parents with young children.

For Young People

The Bible in Pictures. *Edited by R. Kirby. Greystone. 320 pages.* $3.95.
A new slant in Bible reading.

Youth Explores the Bible. *By D. R. Piper. Wilde. 354 pages.* $2.50.
This work connects the Bible epochs into a running story. Good.

This Happened in the Hills of Kentucky. *By J. Vogel. Zondervan. 382 pages.* $3.95.
An interest-packed missionary story.

William Carey: *Cobbler to Missionary. By B. Miller. Zondervan. 152 pages.* $2.
Every teen-ager should know the life of William Carey.

Handbook of Bible Games for All Ages. *By V. Howard. Zondervan. 89 pages.* $1.25.

Riven Fetters: *A Romance of the Early Christian Era. By S. L. Bell. Zondervan. 215 pages.* $2.50.
A new story from an old setting.

Inherit the Earth. *By L. Woodrum. Zondervan. 183 pages.* $2.50.
A good plot.

Kingdom Within. *By S. Ulfers. Eerdmans. 304 pages.* $3.

How Our Kids Learned To Read

by Bernard Palmer

NOT long ago, as we put the last suitcase into the trunk and piled into the car ourselves for an extended trip I said, "One more stop. The drug store for a stack of comics for the kids and we'll be off."

We were very careful of the type of comics we permitted our children to read, screening out all those that glorified sex and crime or incredible superbeings.

However, as we drove down the highway that afternoon and glanced in the rear vision mirror I was vaguely disturbed. Bonnie, our oldest girl, was flipping the pages with astonishing rapidity.

"Are you reading that fast, Bonnie?" I asked.

"I'm not reading, Daddy," she answered. "I'm just looking at the pictures. I do that lots of times."

That night in our cabin I said to Morris, our ten year old son, "how long has it been since you read a book?"

"Have you read any of the *Sugar Creek Gang?*" I asked him. We must have a dozen of that series at home. "Or Ken Anderson's *Winky* series?"

I named a dozen books that I had lived with as a child—*Robinson Crusoe, Treasure Island, Pinnochio, Gulliver's Travels* and all the others—books that I had read over and over again until I knew the characters as well as I knew my best friends. But my son had read none of them. Why?

My wife, Marjorie, and I talked it over that night after they were in bed and asleep.

"It's got me worried," I said. "If we don't do something about it our kids are going to grow up without having read any of the great children's classics, and they're going to miss the spiritual uplift of the Christian juveniles. All they'll know is Donald Duck."

Marjorie was quiet for a long while, thinking. Finally she said, "I've been thinking about it, too. The thing that disturbs me the most is that they aren't getting in the habit of reading now while they're in their formative years. They get so used to looking at pictures that reading is work."

"We want them to grow up reading their Bibles," she continued. "But they aren't going to be able to. They aren't even going to be able to understand it if they don't get in the habit of reading now."

That was one aspect I had never thought of. The Bible was especially difficult for those who had never read much.

We came to the conclusion that night that, although we had tried to screen the comics to the best of our ability, it was still far from wise to let our children pore over them for hours on end.

In a book counter in a large department store in Duluth we found the answer. To our pleasant surprise there was a vast array of books, good books, available at a price that anyone who can afford to buy comics for their children can pay.

There was the *Junior Library* series, featuring all the old classics we had loved so well and some intriguing unfamiliar titles in a deluxe binding at $3.00 and a serviceable cloth binding on good paper for $1.50. We found *Famous Dog Stories*, a series that set our ten-year-old to tingling. There were the *Bobbsey Twins* for girls, the *Little Lame Prince* and a beautiful book of *Grimm's Fairy Tales* I'd still like to sit down and read. By buying the inexpensive binding we were able to set Morris and Bonnie up with three enchanting books each. Janice, our little one, we were able to satisfy very nicely with three Golden Books at a quarter apiece.

To say that the simple expedient of buying the books has made them book worms would be an exaggeration. They have to discipline themselves to sit down with one story and read it page by page. For Bonnie that is still quite a chore and every now and then we have to read a chapter or two to her.

With Morris, who is older, it is different. On occasion we have to call three or four times to get him in to eat, and then have him come dragging in with his nose buried in the latest adventures of *Beautiful Joe* or *Silver Chief, the Alaskan Husky*.

Now we are waiting, somewhat impatiently, to get back home where we have a library of Christian juveniles to introduce them to.

We thought, in screening the comics, that we were able to eliminate all those a child shouldn't read. One night last week we found out just how unsuccessful we had been.

Bonnie came in to kiss me good night and as she started out the door she stopped impulsively and turned back.

"You know, Daddy," she said. "I sure like these books you bought me better than the comics we used to read."

"That's fine, honey."

"They don't give me nightmares like those comics used to do."

I sat for a long while after she had gone to bed, staring into the fire and thinking about all those times when she, trembling with terror, had come running into our bedroom in the middle of the night. How many parents, I wondered, were doing as we had done? Buying peace and quiet for ourselves with the nightmares of our children.

As penetrating as *The Heir of Redcliffe.* A challenging novel for young and old.

MARBLEHEAD. *By B. Brinkley. Revell.* 96 *pages.* $1.
Many cartoons, few words. An amazing witness for older young people and adults.

MOUNTAINS SINGING. *By S. M. Barlow. Moody.* 352 *pages.* $3.
This missionary book is delightfully different. For young people and adults.

For Sunday School Teachers

BIBLE AND CHRISTIANITY: *A Picture-History of the Great Religions. Year.* 192 *pages.* $7.50.
Valuable as a survey.

40 STORIES FOR YOU TO TELL. *Compiled by G. M. Talbot. Moody.* 192 *pages.* $2.50.
Good illustrative material.

A YEAR OF CHILDREN'S SERMONS. *By J. A. Schofield. Wilde.* 219 *pages.* $1.75.
Especially valuable to the superintendent or departmental head.

HOW TO OBTAIN FULLNESS OF POWER. *By R. A. Torrey. Sword of the Lord.* 76 *pages.* $1.50.
No teacher's spiritual life is deeper than the demands of this book.

FOXE'S CHRISTIAN MARTYRS OF THE WORLD. *By J. Foxe. Moody.* 590 *pages.* $3.95.
A classic which should be read by all Christians.

A HANDBOOK OF CHRISTIAN TRUTH. *By H. Lindsell and C. J. Woodbridge. Revell.* 352 *pages.* $3.50.
Would make a most profitable Christmas gift to a Sunday school teacher.

For Missionaries

LETTERS TO YOUNG CHURCHES: *A Translation of the New Testament Epistles. By J. B. Phillips. MacMillan.* 230 *pages.* $2.75.

THE GOSPELS TRANSLATED INTO MODERN SPEECH. *By J. B. Phillips. MacMillan.* 243 *pages.* $2.75.

BIBLICAL DEMONOLOGY. *By M. F. Unger. Van Kampen.* 250 *pages.* $4.
An authoritative book receiving a wide sale.

SERMONS FROM JOB. *By J. Calvin. Translated by L. Nixon. Eerdmans.* 300 *pages.* $4.50.
Messages which will enable missionaries to lay their sufferings at the Lord's feet.

WITH CHRIST AFTER THE LOST. *By L. R. Scarborough. Revised by E. D. Head. Broadman.* 291 *pages.* $3.
This is one of the basic books in the English language on soul-winning.

BLUEPRINT FOR A CHRISTIAN WORLD. *By M. A. Tenney. Light and Life.* 287 *pages.* $3.
A deep study concerning the Gospel's work in a sin-cursed world.

MIRACLES YESTERDAY AND TODAY—*Real and Counterfeit. By B. B. Warfield. Eerdmans.* 327 *pages.* $3.50.
An exact study using Scripture as proof and history as evidence.

HASTENING THE DAY OF GOD. *Edited by J. W. Bradbury. Judson.* 262 *pages.* $3.
Some recent thoughts by evangelicals on the subject of the second advent.

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Committal at Christmas

"Is your religion," he asked, "more important to you than anyone?"

by Dorothy Rains

The month between Thanksgiving and Christmas had dragged by slowly.

MECHANICALLY, Claire Wilden reached for a pink scarf to tie at her throat. Something to give her face some color. She moistened her lips, swallowed hard and marched resolutely into the hall. *If they ask me about him, if they even say one word, I can't bear it,* she thought. *Oh Greg, Greg!*

Claire almost collided with Aunt Esther who was coming out of the front bedroom freshly powdered and looking more coquettish than usual in a garish red taffeta.

"Claire! Darling!" She kissed her with fervor, as if Claire hadn't been home from college for years instead of only since Thanksgiving.

Claire tried to smile. "That's a pretty dress, Aunt Esther. Real Christmas-y."

The older woman smoothed its flaring skirt with her hands. "I always love anything red. Makes me feel younger."

They descended the hall steps, arm in arm, Aunt Esther explaining in detail how she'd found this little dress, a perfect bargain, when she hadn't even been looking for one. Claire only half listened. Nobody could listen attentively to all Aunt Esther said. It was pitiful, really.

Maybe I'll be like her someday, Claire thought with pain. *The family's lonely, maiden aunt who overdresses, overtalks.*

Claire moved among them, shaking hands. "Merry Christmas, Uncle Vic, Aunt Martha." They were hearty and noisy and lovable. Her family.

Briefly she kissed her grandmother's wrinkled cheek, patted the blue-veined hand. *Don't say it, Gram. Don't ask me.* It was a futile hope.

Amid the exclamations of the youngsters under the Christmas tree and the boisterous laughter of the men at the fireplace, her grandmother's question shook her to the depths. "Where's your young man, Claire?"

They all looked at her, bright-eyed, eager. She struggled to sound casual. "He's—he's with his family today." *I guess he is,* she added silently. What if she'd said—I don't know. I haven't seen him for six days!

Uncle Vic turned from the fireplace. "Looked mighty serious to me at Thanksgiving. I'm pretty good at telling when a young man is smitten." They all laughed.

Aunt Esther wagged a playful finger in her direction. "I'll bet it's a lot more serious than Claire's letting on! I'm anxious to see what he gives her for Christmas!"

Somehow Claire got herself out of the room, tied on an apron and began shredding lettuce for the salad. Mercifully, her mother didn't offer any sympathy. But she'd heard, Claire was sure.

The smell of the food was almost nauseating today. Claire dreaded the next few hours. They would eat. Then they'd have their family worship. Then the presents.

For the fiftieth time Claire wondered if it had been the family worship that did it.

Greg had been so attentive up until Thanksgiving. Ever since they'd met the second week in school, way back in September, he'd seized every opportunity to be with her. Actually, he invited himself to her house for Thanksgiving day, acting as though he belonged with her.

He was wonderful to the family. He held her grandmother's chair and listened raptly while she reminisced.

Her dad stuck his head in the doorway. "Dinner about ready, Mother? I'm starved."

Her mother turned from the stove. "As soon as I lift the gravy, Fred. Tell the children to wash their hands."

It was good to be busy serving the meal, replenishing the tray of rolls, pouring more coffee. Only Claire kept remembering this same table full of folks, with Greg beside her.

"Grace, nobody makes dressing like yours!" Aunt Martha exclaimed as she had every holiday since Claire could remember.

"Always make a pig of myself when I eat Grace's cooking," Uncle Vic declared.

Claire looked at her mother, flushed and smiling. Then her dad spoke. "Yes, in addition to choosing the prettiest girl in Wisconsin, I made sure to get the best cook. It's a rare combination."

There flashed a warm, loving glance between her parents. *Will anybody ever look at me like that,* Claire wondered miserably.

They were finishing their mince pie when Mr. Wilden excused himself, returning with the large Bible. Stoically Claire made herself listen.

He read the Christmas story. Then he gave his testimony, just as he had at Thanksgiving. Claire saw Uncle Vic

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All smiles, W. A. Criswell, pastor of the world's largest Baptist church, looks at the first beam of the church's new activities building.

Though not so tall in height, Dallas' W. A. Criswell by ability, aggressiveness and position deserves to be called

The Big State's Big Baptist

by Weldon D. Woodson

IN THE summer of 1922, a 12-year-old, slightly rotund boy and his skinny buddy, three years older and a head taller, were trudging through the sand of Perico Creek near the Texas Panhandle railroad town of Texline.

Save for an occasional water hole, this arroyo is dry the year round, so that the pair on their weekly hike had chosen this route to their camping quarters, an oasis of mesquite. On and on their feet slushed through the sand.

Abruptly, the younger exclaimed, "In my preaching, I shall tell that life is two streams, one that leads to God, the other, to the Devil. Thousands shall hear me."

The other suggested that he should start his ministry with a quartet of fourth-time churches. (A fourth-time church is one whose finances limit it to a paid preacher only once a month.) From there he would graduate to two half-time congregations, and, after some years, to a full-time one as Texline with its between 200 and 300 members out of the town's 700 population.

Peering up at his companion, the boy laughed, "Oh, no. Texline's nothing. Maybe in college I shall preach to churches that small. But after that—well, wait and see."

This did not smack of braggadocio. Rather, it sounds as if he had good tidings to proclaim and the more people that heard it the better.

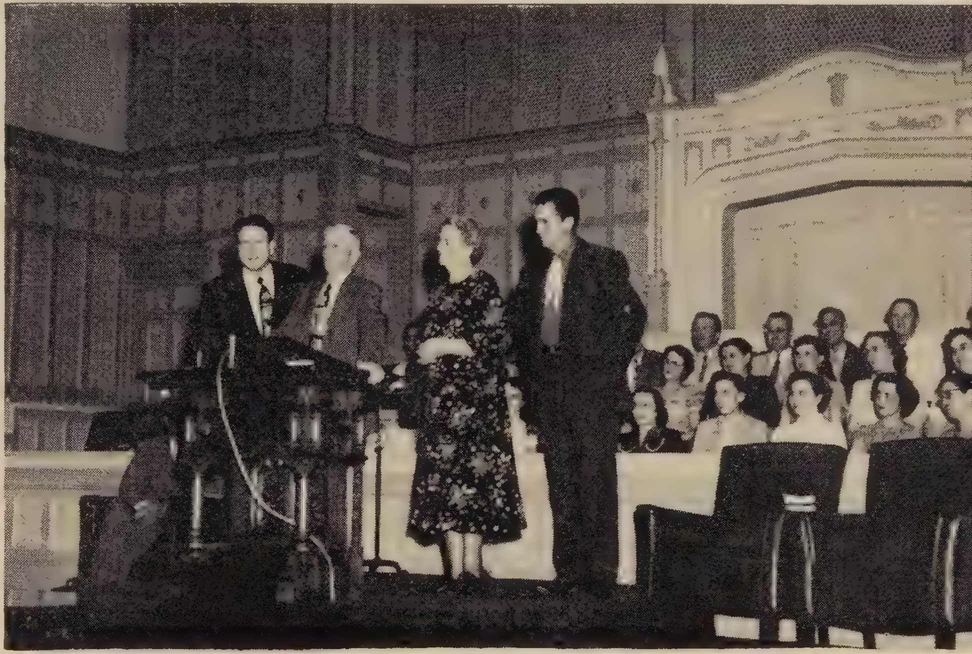
I was the older boy. The other became 5-foot 9-inch, 150-pound, dynamic Dr. W. A. Criswell, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Dallas, Texas. With its approximately 10,000 members it is today the largest white Baptist church in the world. During the last fiscal year, the gifts to it totaled more than $700,000. With some Sundays' collections coming to more than $25,000, armored cars await outside to take the money to the banks after offering plates are emptied.

Criswell insists that one-half of the annual budget be allocated to outside causes. In addition to assisting Southern Baptist foreign missions, he has opened five local missions, which minister to Latin Americans, Negroes and underprivileged whites.

Under the auspices of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, he and Dr. Duke K. McCall, president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, toured the mission fields in 1950, speaking to Baptist groups all over the world. Their co-authored book, *Passport to the World*, depicts their experiences.

The Dallas pastor also wrote the book, *The Gospel According to Moses*. He serves as director on the Sunday School Board, Southern Baptist Convention, member of Executive Committee, Baptist General Convention of Texas, and trustee, Baylor University, Waco, Texas.

There is no pussyfooting in his preaching. He feels that "the rot and curse of modernism is the church's greatest threat." He means it when he says, "Show me in the Bible how I can do this, and I will do it."



Criswell (left), introduces Stuart Hamblen and his parents to his congregation.

Temporarily turned cowboy, Criswell, a native Texan, lassoes his animal.

A good sport, Criswell entertains the young people.

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At Miami, Fla., the hard-hitting minister clarioned the Southern Baptist Convention: "The threat to American democracy and freedom and the satanic challenge to our Christian institutions does not arise only from abroad—it rises also ominously from within." He reported that of the 1.4 million children in New England, 1.1 million of them are growing up without any religious instruction whatever.

"In the West the story is the same," he said. "Eighty per cent of the people who live in Washington and Oregon have no religious affiliation whatsoever. There are suburban communities along the Pacific Coast larger than Orlando, Fla., or Wichita Falls, Texas, with no church of any kind. Within our convention territory there lives a population of 79 million of which more than 40 million are unchurched."

Fiery in the pulpit, he never uses forceful language in everyday life. But smoking and drinking anger him. He personally does not even touch carbonated drinks and coffee. Milk and water are adequate for him. As for smoking, he challenges, "Imagine Jesus Christ with a cigarette dangling from His lips."

Exemplifying simplicity of living, he relishes the common cornfield variety of foods—beans, corn, syrup. He can make a meal out of bread and milk. He usually goes to bed toward midnight; gets up around 7:30. With his library and study in his home, in the morning, he studies; the afternoon, visits; the evening, goes to some kind of church meeting. For recreation, at least once a week he drives out to his little 40 acre farm about ten miles from Dallas to see "how things are getting along with my ten cows."

As a 12-year-old, however, he never envisioned the full scope of his activities. He yearned to do something big for Christ. Named after his father, Wallie Amos Criswell, but going under the initials of W. A., he had publicly acknowledged the call to preach only a few weeks prior to the Perico Creek outing.

A summer's protracted meeting was being conducted under a 500-capacity tent pitched in the center of town. On this night the guest evangelist, Texas Plains' pastor Charles Whaley, had just delivered a heart-tugging message. John R. Rice, now the famed evangelist but then enrolled in the Southern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, had begun leading the congregation in the first stanza of "Just as I Am." My father who was pastor of the Texline church was appealing for the unconverted to come to the front.

A score or more hit the sawdust trail, and as father talked to them one by one, he sighted W. A. huddled in their midst. Aware that previously he had accepted Christ as his Savior, he queried in sur-

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Christian Traditions in the Home

by Bernice Flynn

YEARS ago, when families were strong, almost every family unit had customs and traditions that helped bind its members together.

Today with the breaking down of family traditions has come the breakdown of the American family as well. Perhaps it is time to reconsider some of the traditions that Christian families still use to solidify their family units.

It does not have to be something big and important. It can be only a game in the living room, a bedtime story or meeting dad returning from work. In fact, little traditions are usually the ones that bear fruit in later years when the members of the family go their separate ways.

The Bible advocates traditions. "That this may be a sign among you, that when your children ask their fathers in time to come, saying, What mean ye by these stones?" (Josh. 4: 6).

"And it shall come to pass, when your children shall say unto you, What mean ye by this service?" (Exod. 12: 26).

One family always had prayer together at the breakfast table. In this family you didn't sleep in. You came to breakfast even if only for prayer time. Then you could do what you wanted, even return to bed. But Dr. John R. Rice wanted his family to pray together at the breakfast table.

Another family memorized Psalms together as a family. And though the sons of Dr. V. R. Edman, president of Wheaton College, are now scattered they all recall the Psalms they memorized together.

Instead of a chart where children obtained gold stars for brushing teeth or picking up clothes, one family had a memory verse chart, and as verses were memorized, gold stars were posted.

Another family has a "bread of life" scripture box and after the evening meal each member who can read takes a verse from the box and reads aloud that verse. This is done even when guests are present, a habit that has grown into a tradition.

One family with five children strives to make Sunday a special day from the rest. At dinner they have a round-up of the various Sunday school lessons. The children also recite verses they have memorized. They sing the blessing instead of word-praying it.

One mother and father, hoping to keep Easter for what it was meant to be, have explained to their children that they can have their Easter hunt and bunnies on Easter Monday, but Easter Sunday is a day of church-going and re-reading of the Easter story and discussion of its significance.

John Scudder, missionary to India, had the privilege of seeing all his children go to the mission field. When asked how this happened, he replied, "The only explanation I can give is that the children were literally prayed into the kingdom by their mother. She was accustomed to spend the birthday of each child in all-day prayer for him. God rewarded her prayers." A novel and profitable way to celebrate a child's birthday.

The fifth birthday of each child of Susanna Wesley was a very special day, for that was the day they were taught their letters, using as a text the first chapter of Genesis. She also set aside one hour a week for "private conversation" with each of her ten children. Even when John Wesley went away to college, she prayed for him each Thursday evening.

In our home the hour before bedtime is set aside for social time with the children. We read stories, discuss problems of the day, learn or review a Bible verse. We realize, from seeing older children, that these are special, precious days when our young children will be frank with us and we hope to take advantage of it.

One couple who have no children have made it a custom to fast one meal a week. They take the money they would have spent on food and give it to missions. During the war meatless days were urged. It wouldn't be any hardship to have some dessertless meals and give the money we would have spent on dessert to the starving Koreans.

One boy says he learned tithing early by watching his parents. On payday the first item removed was tithe which his mother placed in an old cocoa tin can in the kitchen. Sunday morning he was given money from the tin can for Sunday school and church. As he earned money, he automatically took out the tithe first because it was a family custom early drilled into him.

Someone says, "Oh, traditions are fine but impossible in a large family." The larger the family the more reason for traditions because some of the group may not become Christians while at home. These memories will plague in later years. One boy who came from a family of 11 children said he recalled that Saturday was "the quiet day" because dad was preparing his sermons. Also, Saturday mornings everyone from mother down had to spend part of the time learning the Sunday school lesson. He still clings to the habit.

Outside interests compete with family unity these days more than ever. A few traditions will help knit the family together now and in later years. Wouldn't it be fun to institute a few traditions today?

How Good A Christian Are You?

by Carl F. Arnold

Christians are not measured by private codes of conduct but by the standard of Christ as revealed in Scripture.

I CAN'T understand you Christians," an acquaintance of mine said not long ago. "You've got a set little code of conduct you live up to, and think you're so much better than anyone else because you do. But you'd slick your own brother out of his shirt if you got the chance, and stab your best friend in the heart with gossip."

His broad generality may be unfair, but there is enough truth in it to cause conscientious believers everywhere to squirm uncomfortably. We have set up a code for living, which varies by denomination and locale, assuming as we do so, that if we follow our code we will automatically become good, honorable, upright Christians.

In the South there isn't anything wrong with smoking as long as the pastor and his wife abstain, but no respectable Christian man or woman would go swimming in a mixed group. On the west coast a Christian who smokes is labeled carnal, but Hollywood and its product is viewed with a tolerant eye. In the Midwest movies are such a sin that some are opposed to Christian films because they use the same medium, while mixed bathing is practiced with scarcely a thought that it might be wrong.

No one denomination is consistent all across the country, nor are all evangelicals in any one region agreed on what constitutes separation. Yet we are so dogmatic with our own stack of rules that we almost completely ignore Christ's blueprint for consistent Christian living.

The Bible sets down in unmistakable language that we shall not gossip or slander or falsely accuse, that pride must bow to humility, anger to meekness, greed and envy and strife to satisfaction and tranquility, and that we must be honest before all men.

Believers ought to be the last to use the venom of gossip, especially on other Christians, but all too often we are the first, calling attention by our shock and solemnly voiced concern to the lack of such evil in our own pure lives.

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A Christian mother of a wayward girl came to a minister friend of ours recently, reeling under the blows of barbed tongues. Fiction, surmise and fancy had been piled on truth to distort an already sordid story into something even uglier.

"I believe I could stand it all right," she said with tears in her eyes, "but I just learned that some of the most vicious talk was started by my dearest Christian friend."

A married Sunday school superintendent took the unmarried secretary home from a Sunday school teachers' meeting in the rain and a vicious story blossomed that almost cost an innocent man his wife.

A certain independent church in the Midwest, in organizing their Ladies' Aid, recognized with surprising candor the Christian's addiction to gossip. "If you must gossip," they wrote in their proposed constitution, "do it at home or before you come."

The Bible, however, is not quite so tolerant of our love for scandal. "Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good . . . " Paul wrote in Ephesians. There is no misunderstanding that.

But of course you've never told anything that would hurt another, that increased the burden they were carrying, that helped to increase the blush of shame in their face or hindered their portion of the Lord's work. Or, have you?

How many churches are limping along only half effective in their efforts to reach the lost because of strife, envy and ill feeling between church members?

There is a church in Iowa where, if one man is elected to the board the other dare not be because they haven't spoken to one another for 18 years—not since the son of one jilted the daughter of the other two weeks before they were to be married.

A few months ago excited stories from Japan told of a very definite visitation of the Spirit, of revival for which the missionaries had scarcely dared to hope as they prayed. Like the Welsh revival it touched whole congregations, convicting of sin and bringing men, women and children in droves to the altar.

Its beginning? A simple, spontaneous instance during a meeting when missionaries began to get right with fellow missionaries, where they confessed to envy and gossip and pride, asking forgiveness from those they had wronged. The movement spread without apparent design as conviction gripped this one and that, and in the wake of it came the revival that is thrilling evangelical Christians everywhere. Revival can come in

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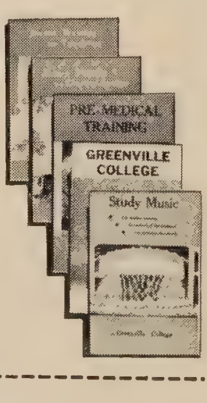

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our time, but first of all we must get right with man and God.

How many weeks, or months, or years has it been since you have gone to someone you have wronged and asked their forgiveness? Or do you live so flawlessly that you never hurt anyone by the things you say, that you never run rough-shod over anyone to get your own way, that you never harbor evil thoughts, or criticize the honest efforts of another?

It is strange how the world measures us. In a simple matter such as faithfully carrying out the duties of a job the effect of years of prayer and testimony can be underscored or blotted out according to our reliability or lack of it.

A certain foreman in Georgia who worked for an unsaved man was so zealous he held prayer meetings in the plant without permission on company time. His evangelical efforts cost him nothing, but they cost his employer who didn't even know the Lord $35 or $40 a day in lost time. He was surprised and felt terribly persecuted when he lost his job.

A few days ago we met a man who had only recently put his trust in the Lord because a Christian he hired gave an honest day's work for the wages he received. The pastor of a small church went to work at the fellow's orange grove to augment his meager salary.

"I'd always had the idea that a preacher was lazy," the burly, hard-working orange grower said, "but I want you to know that guy works. I've got a lot of respect for him."

Because he respected the pastor, he listened. Because he listened he recognized his need for Christ and accepted Him.

Have you ever wondered what your employer thinks of Christ according to the way you work for him?

There is a wealthy Christian out in western Colorado, chairman of his church and a leader in evangelical effort in his community, who prides himself on his business ability. Although he has convinced himself that his dealings are honest but shrewd, his neighbors have another name for them. And his own sons, who are outside the Lord, laugh at their father's testimony. They have heard him boast too many times of getting the better of a friend in a deal.

One man who owed a $150 liquor bill refused to pay it because he had incurred it before he was saved, and another, when pressed for a past due account wrote across the bill, "when I became a Christian the Lord forgave me my sins. You're going to have to forgive me this." And he counted it as paid.

Pride is something different. It sits on the shoulder of each of us and whispers in our ear, telling us how fine and good and important we are. It urges us to seek an important place in the eyes of men. It pities us when things go wrong and prods our anger when others have disagreed with us or have spoken sharply.

At a recent Gideon rally one man who looked upon himself as a skillful speaker went home in a huff early Sunday morning when he learned that he hadn't been given a speaking assignment.

A church in Wisconsin found their missionary budget woefully small until somebody had the happy thought to print a list of the missionary donors and the amounts they gave every quarter for distribution among the membership. Pride did the rest. Members began to give immediately so that their names and gifts would look good to their fellows.

Pride keeps a pastor from enjoying the message of a speaker better than himself, and a singer from the choir if a rival soloist happens to get a number she wanted for herself. Pride narrows our vision to the confines of our own denomination or group on the supposition that no one else could be as zealous for the Lord as we. Pride seizes control of our lives and convinces us that we can do a much better job of managing things than God, that we dare not yield completely to Him.

Whatever your lot in life, why don't you try to build something on it?

How about you and the demon, pride? Has it ever kept you from testifying to a person you knew needed Christ? Has it ever caused you to dislike a man who may not have treated you with quite the honor and respect to which you felt entitled? Has it ever hindered your service to the Lord?

"Pride," according to Proverbs, "goeth before destruction and a haughty spirit before a fall." Yet, because it pleases us we strive to find room for it in our hearts, even though the Lord has to be crowded out a little to do so.

If pride sits on one shoulder, then many of us have envy and greed perched on the other. We see our friends' new car and envy wants us to have one just a little better. It convinces us that we ought to have new bicycles for the children like that of the boy across the street, that we need new drapes and furniture and carpeting so we won't be ashamed to entertain.

A friend came to me some weeks ago, desperate with worry. "I don't know what to do," he said. "Carolyn just redecorated the living room and kitchen and put me in hock for 24 months for a dishwasher. Now she's determined to have our shrubs torn out and the yard landscaped. And we've got two other installment accounts now, not counting our car and house. I don't know what I'm going to do."

Carolyn got her landscaping and George solved a portion of his financial

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WILLIAM H. BROWNLEE...
Assistant-Professor of Old Testament at Duke Divinity School since 1950. Prior to that he was an instructor of religion at Trinity College and Duke University. Dr Brownlee received his undergraduate training at Sterling College, his Ph.D. at Duke University and his Th.B. and Th.M. at Pittsburgh-Xenia Theological Seminary. As a member of the American School of Oriental Research staff, he shared in the discovery and translation of the famous Dead Sea Scrolls.

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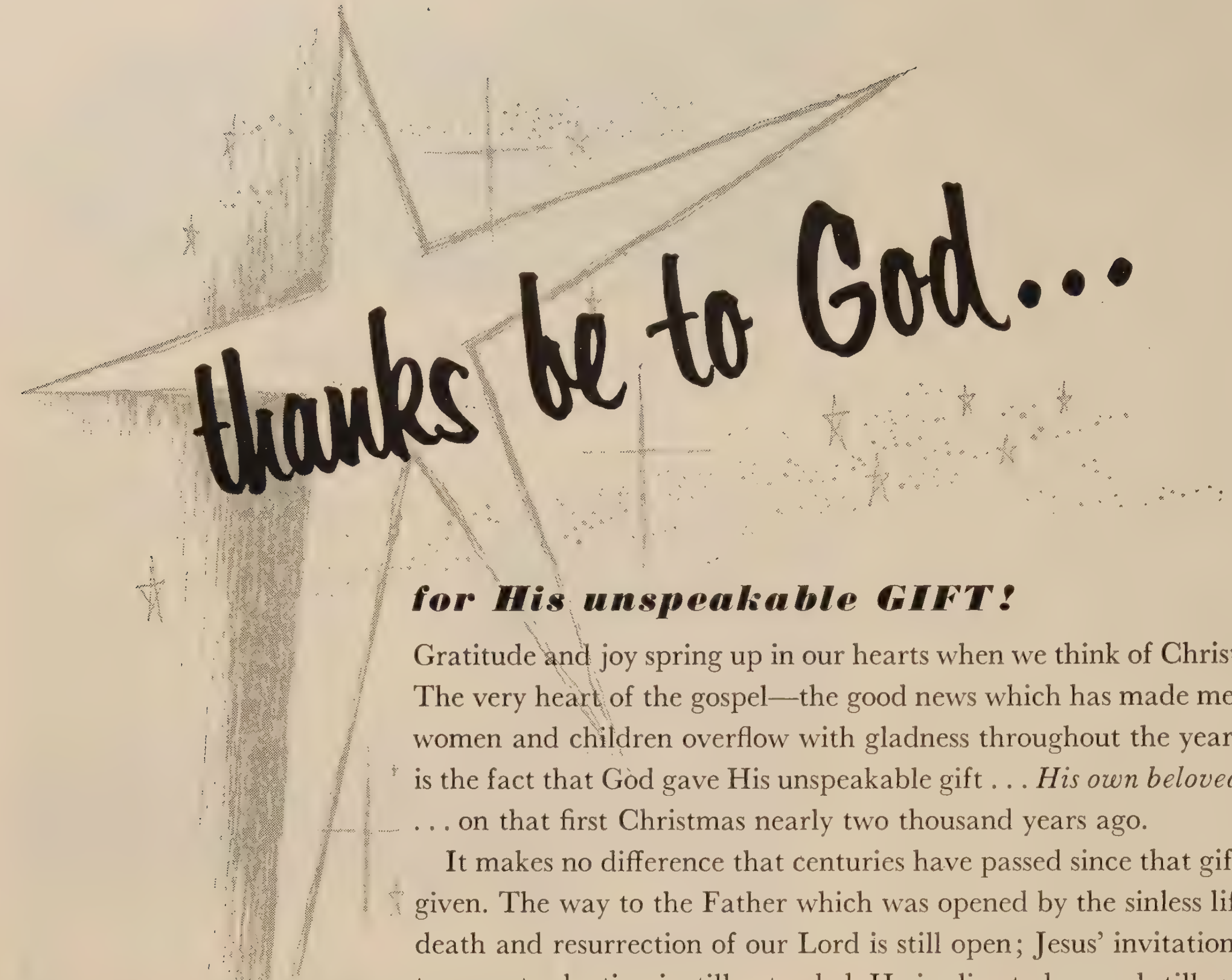

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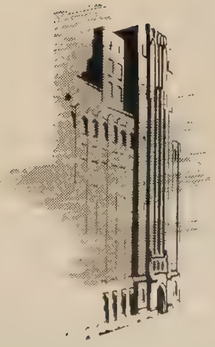

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Communism Woos Catholics

Rifts In the Rome Front

IS A LEANING towards Communism a purely Protestant ailment?

Good bookkeeping calls for an audit of the Catholic ledger as well as the Protestant on the burning question of Communist sympathizers in the ranks.

Among information gleaned by CHRISTIAN LIFE, here's what the Catholic ledger shows:

In France an agency of the Catholic Church called "Youth of the Church" (Jeunesse de l'Eglise) was recently called to account for its radicalism by the hierarchy. In answering, spokesmen for this agency said: "At present the Communist party is the only party to labor with patience and moderation for the establishment of a socialist economy. It is impossible not to fight in unity of action, free and conscious, alongside the Communist party.

"Nor is it an accident," the organization's statement went on, "that in our most completely working-class districts in French cities, the best elements—those which stand out because of their love of justice and brotherhood, their courage, their rejection of individualism and sectarianism, their moral cleanliness—are most often either Communist or Christian (e. g. Catholics). . . . Who knows if tomorrow there will not be a new 'rallying' of the Vatican to the support of the Communist regime?"

The French bishops have found it necessary also to end the church's system of "worker-priests." These priests were originally delegated to convert workers to Catholicism. But instead the workers converted some of the priests to Marxism, according to news dispatches. Several priests and seminarians were involved in recent Red rioting.

The spectacle led Jules Cardinal Saliege, Archbishop of Toulouse, to say: "Things are happening as though there were a well-planned action preparing for the welcome of Communism within the body of Catholicism."

Item two on the ledger is a recent broadcast by the Warsaw (Poland) radio which stated that Polish "patriotic priests" will conduct a national campaign to explain to the people the government's banishment of Stefan Cardinal Wyszynski, most recent Roman prelate to be persecuted by the Reds.

The station said the campaign was decided on by the priests themselves. These priests adopted a resolution approving the government's action and welcoming "with sincere joy" the Polish hierarchy's promise of cooperation with the state.

Latin-American radio expands. Representatives of the Pan-American Christian network discuss expansion plans at their second biennial meeting in station TIFC at San Jose, Costa Rica. The conference voted to sponsor distribution of a free Bible correspondence course to radio listeners throughout Latin America. Left to right, network director Robert Remington, Arthur Wormald and Dr. Ramon Cabrera.

The last ledger item is a dispatch from Vienna which states that Communist Czechoslovakia has opened a campaign to recruit young industrial workers for training as "patriotic priests."

The Vatican has made political "about-faces" before. Perhaps the most spectacular occurred during the French Revolution. After opposing the Revolutionists for several years, the Pope shifted his policy to one of support. This shift, called the "rallying" was what the Jeunesse de l'Eglise meant in its use of the word in its statement.

The spectre of a united Communism and Catholicism is a frightening possibility, with more potential for disaster to the free world even than the H-Bomb.

A Network Works

DELEGATES to the recent Pan-American Christian Network conference in San Jose, Costa Rica, voted to sponsor distribution of a free Bible correspondence course to radio listeners throughout Latin America. Provided by World Gospel Crusades, the course was originated in India by Don Hillis and is now in 13 languages. Hillis reports that 250,000 copies of the Gospel of John in Spanish and 10,000 complete courses are ready for this "new move to reach the 21 republics of Central and South America for Christ."

The delegates also voted to: (1) develop an organizational setup based on the past two years of operation, (2) produce long-playing records of hymns and messages in addition to tape recordings now in use, (3) increase the number and variety of programs available through the network and (4) encourage new Christian stations in Latin countries.

The Indomitable Word

IN BURMA a preacher, Samo Hla U, spent years in translating the four gospels into the Asho-Chin language. When rebels overran the area he locked away the manuscript to await an opportunity to send it to Rangoon for publishing. The time came and he went to retrieve the precious text, only to find it had been eaten by white ants. Samo Hla U started over. Recently the gospels and the book of Acts were published. He is now working on the epistles.

In 1935 a translation of the New Testament into literary Mongolian was begun by the Rev. Joel Eriksson of the Swedish Mongol Mission. The translators and revisers, forced to flee, first from the Japanese and then from the Communists, have completed their work at last. When God opens Mongolia again, the Bible will be ready.

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The Seed of the Church

"THE BLOOD of martyrs is the seed of the church." This apparently has been as true in Russia as anywhere else, judging from two recent peeks under the Iron Curtain. First look was taken by Dr. F. Bredahl Petersen, President of the European Baptist Federation, who said he saw more than 3.2 million Baptists in Soviet territory. A generation ago there were only 400,000. He attributed the growth to persecution.

Second look was made by Dr. John A. Scherzer, recently the head of the European Desk of the National Lutheran Council. Dr. Scherzer caught a glimpse of 2 million Lutherans under Russian control. He said most church members have no regular worship services. The faith, he said, was handed down from parents to children, often secretly.

Paul's Unfinished Task

NOT ONLY in the U.S. but in Israel itself, evangelization among Jews has been so successful that it has stirred up a hornet's nest of opposition. In Israel an organization, The Association to Combat Conversion, was formed to counteract this success.

"Four hundred apostles of Satan, missionaries, among them baptized Jews, traitors to their own heritage," it snarled, "have descended on our country like a swarm of locusts."

The association sponsor is the Chief Rabbinate in Jerusalem. Fortunately there is no 1953 "Pontius Pilate" at hand. The Israel government solemnly pledged itself to maintain religious freedom and the Israel press went even further. One paper editorialized: "An enlightened Jewish citizen will receive this cannonade of abuse with grief and amazement. It is unworthy of the supreme religious authorities of the Jews. . . ."

▶ MISSIONS

Legal Kidnaping in Colombia

THE REPORTED SURCEASE from persecution in Colombia, if it ever existed at all, was short-lived. Latest information received by CHRISTIAN LIFE is an ominous quote by a Colombian judge in Manizales who says he has the authority "to seize all Protestant children."

That this is no idle threat can be seen from just one story told by the Evangelical Confederation of Colombia. The confederation said that under direction of the Roman Catholic Bishop of Manizales last July government officials seized two Protestant children and committed them without their mother's knowledge or consent to the Roman Catholic Orphanage of San Jose.

Bishop Luis Concha, after seizure of the children had roused an international storm of protest, directed the orphanage to return the children to their mother. He told newsmen it had been reported to him that the mother had expelled the children from her home after exerting pressure on them to become Protestants.

Because of the conflict, Bishop said, he talked to the children himself and had concluded that they had lied when they accused their mother of abandoning them.

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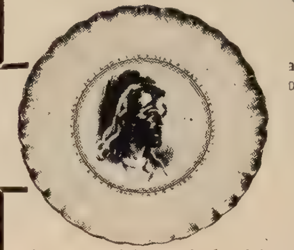

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Mission Work Threatened in British Guiana

Special report from missionary reveals Communist attacks on open-air campaign.

A COMMUNIST bid to seize control of British Guiana has been suppressed by British troops in the capital at Georgetown. The Reds' war on evangelicals has been under way for some time. In an on-the-spot report sent to CHRISTIAN LIFE, George H. Bull of the South American Full Gospel Mission tells of the violence done to the cause of Christ.

On Saturday, Sept. 5, we commenced in Georgetown an open-air campaign which was to last from two to three weeks. On a large open space which we had selected for the site we erected a tubular metal rostrum, having first obtained permission from the town council.

These meetings were well responded to and souls were won for Christ. On the 13th night of the campaign, Sept. 17, the meeting was disturbed by the arrival of a union leader who approached and told us to close down as he was going to hold a union meeting with the strikers. (There is a big Communist-inspired strike on all the sugar estates).

I told him we would not close down, as the place was large enough for many meetings and I suggested he choose another spot, but he refused to cooperate. I continued with the meeting, and the Communist meeting turned on their amplifier to try and drown us out with their noise. They failed to do this so they sent men to try and overthrow our platform. A mounted policeman drove them off.

About half an hour later, our lights went out and the sound equipment failed to work—they had cut our power cable in two places. I continued with the meeting. Later I left the platform and went to the leader of the Communist meeting and told him what had happened, but he just sneered at me. As I left the crowd the men struck me with blows from behind, kicked me, tried to trip me and then tried to pull off my clothes. . . . I just quietly continued on my way. Soon after, we closed the meeting with prayer.

The Communist strike is organized by leaders who are ministers in the new Communist government (recently ousted from government by the British colonial office—ED.).

On Friday and Saturday our meetings went on without any trouble. On Sunday we had decided to close earlier because the union members were having another meeting. The police had called on the union secretary who said they were willing to start at 8:30 after we had finished. But when we got to the site a large number were there, about 2,000. We expected trouble and fixed up the sound equipment in such a way it could be removed quickly. Our service commenced and we were greeted with organized opposition from groups close to the platform. They attempted to drown the singing by booing and clapping. The numbers soon increased until there were at least 6,000 present.

When my wife, who shared the platform, started to give the first message of the evening, stones were hurled at her. I called to the police through the microphone to keep order, but there was no response. About two dozen lusty blacks standing by the platform tried to overturn it, but because of its weight failed to do so. They tried to loosen it by violent shaking, and the platform rocked like a ship in a storm. I pleaded with my wife to leave the platform or she might get hurt, but she refused to leave me alone.

I commenced to preach amid the opposition, and the noise subsided. But one man, angered at the way the people started to listen, started to shake the platform once more. Suddenly the lights failed and the sound system went quiet. The sudden darkness brought a great shower of heavy stones. Most hit people near the front. Only one struck me. I saw a man taking the cable for the sound equipment and I left the platform to stop him.

This was a signal for many men standing by to leap on me . . . I expected to be killed and lifted my hands in prayer. I was too dazed to feel anything but knew I was badly hurt. As I began to call upon the Lord, the violence stopped. Somehow I managed to get back on the platform, with torn clothes, battered face and a broken finger. My wife prayed for me and the pain left. By this time the police had come and we closed our meeting with prayer.

Never before has such behavior been seen in British Guiana. Newspaper editorials reflected the shock. The whole thing is the result of anti-white teaching the Communists have been giving to the people.

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When her children were taken out of school and placed in the orphanage, Senora Morales sought help from a Juvenile Court judge, Arturo Montoya Calderon and the province governor, Dr. Fernando Londono y Londono. Both refused to give her back the children.

The Colombian army at her behest sent an officer to the orphanage. He reported that the children were unhappy, often went hungry and were whipped, but he said nothing could be done.

The Evangelical Confederation said that its files, "covering over a thousand cases of religious persecution during the past five years contained no more repulsive and shameful act" than the children's "abduction."

The confederation report was made even as a U.S. Catholic clergyman, the Rev. Dr. James A. Magner, procurator of the Catholic University of America in Washington, returned to the U.S. from a tour of Colombia.

In an article for *The New World,* Roman Catholic weekly published in Chicago, the Rev. Dr. Magner wrote of Colombia: "I am convinced that a comparatively small but highly vocal group of agitators are exploiting the situation as little less than a smear campaign, poorly conceived and clumsily executed. With apparently large financial resources and considerable zeal, some 18 to 20 sects have banded together in an evangelical confederation, in addition to Baptist missionaries, not only with the object of proselytizing but also of reporting alleged incidents of persecution to the Press. In the words of one Catholic spokesman, 'We do not desire to chase out the Protestants, but we wish to live in the spirit of Christian charity and truth.' . . .

"From my personal observation the Catholic Church in Colombia is well able to take care of itself."

On the last statement evangelicals are in full agreement with the Rev. Dr. Magner. Here's the Protestant casualty list as given by the confederation: In the last five years, 51 Colombian Protestants have been murdered because of their religious faith, 110 Protestant schools have been closed, 42 church buildings have been destroyed and 31 other buildings used by Protestant churches damaged.

The new government of President Rojas Pinilla has, meanwhile, imposed new restrictions on Protestant missionary work. One decree prohibits the presence of Protestants in "mission territory" which is taken to mean any area in which Catholic missionary priests work.

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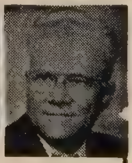

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A Methodist missionary, the Rev. Ernest Mathews, later passed through Teya, and found a congregation of 60 believers, including the village mayor. They had formed a church, led only by the Spirit of God and the tattered leaves of His Word.

Miracle on the Mountain

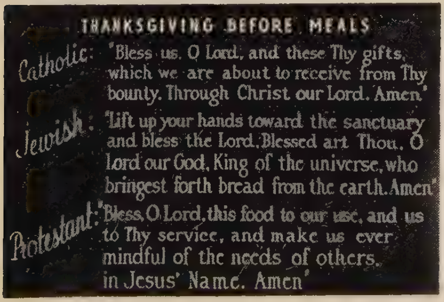
IN THE RUGGED MOUNTAINS of Tanganyika, East Africa, an automobile slid on a rain-soaked road, went over a hill and turned over five times before the brush stopped it from rolling over even a steeper cliff. Two Lutheran missionaries, the Rev. Heinrich Waltenberg and Mr. Wilhelm Gruninger, emerged from the wreckage unhurt. "It was," said Rev. Waltenberg, "as if the Lord was telling us, 'I can take care of you even when you go over the bank and roll down many times.' "

Mission Briefs

NATIVE CLERGYMEN of Kenya Colony have asked the British government to let them preach in the Mau Mau trouble areas, at the risk of their lives. The native clergymen pointed out that "Christianity must be the basis for solving this problem." ■ The Himalayan kingdom of Nepal seems about ready to open to the Gospel, according to a report of the Nepal Border Fellowship. Three years ago it was impossible for a Christian to live inside Nepal. But this year Nepali and Indian Christians have been able to go into the country, distribute Christian literature and do personal work. ■ Work of Christian missionaries in Spain has not only won converts but has needled the Roman Catholic church to make some sort of start towards a return to evangelical elements of its Christianity. The Spanish Christian Mission reported that a recent Catholic broadcast was a good evangelical sermon that seemed to have been taken from D. L. Moody's book, *The Way to God*. About 7,000 copies of the book have been distributed in Spain by the mission.

Mormonism Growing?

A PLAN TO place 5,000 Mormon missionaries in foreign countries was revealed by New York officials of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.



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Protestant: "Bless, O Lord, this food to our use, and us to Thy service, and make us ever mindful of the needs of others. in Jesus' Name. Amen"

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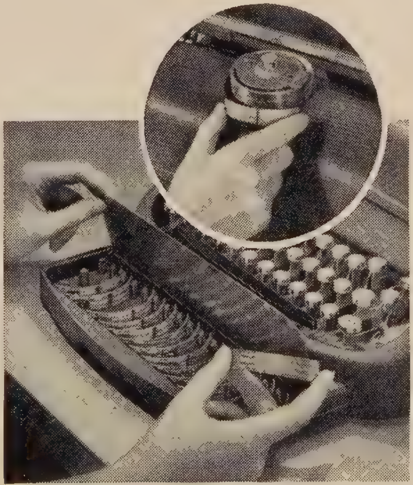

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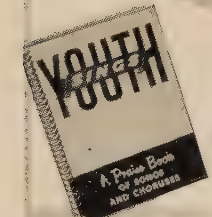

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During the convention, 60 different Sunday school workshops were conducted covering various phases of Christian education. Resolutions adopted by the delegates included the setting of three annual occasions—National Family Week, early in May; National Sunday School Week, between the last Sunday of September and the first Sunday of October; and the National Sunday School Convention, in mid-October.

New officers elected for the National Sunday School Association were Dr. Harold Erickson, Rockford, Ill., president; Dr. Warren Filkin, Chicago, Ill., vice president; Victor Cory, Chicago, Ill., secretary; and Rev. J. Clair Peters, Huntington, Ind., treasurer.

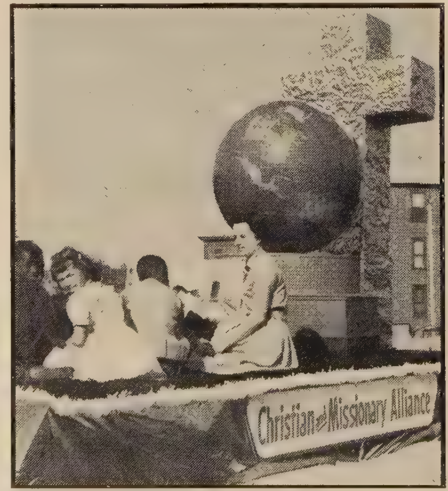
A Night for Prayer

WHAT ARE YOU doing New Year's Eve? The Great Commission Prayer League has a good suggestion: Spend it in prayer. The commission has asked the country's pastors to get their congregations looking to God for revival as the old year ends.

Ernest M. Wadsworth, League executive, in his letter to pastors, pointed out that "if we are to have revival in our congregations we must have more congregational prayer meetings for revival." Watch night services, he added, "afford to ministers a great revival opportunity."

World Council Antidote

DR. R. L. DECKER, executive director of the National Association of Evangelicals, has proposed that a group of evangelical theo-



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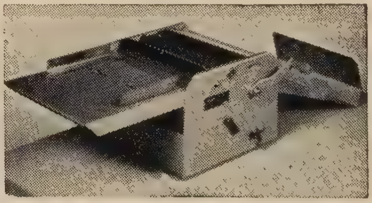

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Dope in the Military

A FREE METHODIST spokesman, the Rev. Ernest Keasling, has laid before Washington officials a statement that 60 per cent of U. S. servicemen in one Japanese base have become dope addicts.

REV. KEASLING

Rev. Keasling, the denomination's servicemen's director, made a personal tour of some 50 U.S. bases and hospitals in Japan and recently returned to the U.S. At one base near Tokyo, he said, a chaplain revealed that three-fifths of the men had become addicts.

Rev. Keasling found somewhat similar conditions in other military installations, he said. At the Tokyo base, the minister said, five U.S. men have died as a result of taking heroin. "The dope problem," said Rev. Keasling, "has reached such proportions that not only does it alarm chaplains but now attracts major consideration by top ranking officers.

"From what I've seen," Rev. Keasling added, "a high percentage of immorality and addiction can be placed at the door of breakdown in the home life and home church. Men have lived by nominal professions of faith which haven't proved adequate under the stress of temptation far from home."

Fred Jarvis, CHRISTIAN LIFE foreign correspondent, could not verify the report with Army officers in Japan. According to the military, dope affects less than 16 men per thousand a month.

Bible in the Schools

THE U.S. SUPREME COURT may have another "religion in the schools" case coming before it soon. A test case which may prove of nationwide importance has involved the Gideons, and a group which is trying to forbid their distribution of New Testaments to public school pupils.

The Gideons two years ago got permission from a board of education to distribute the Testaments in Rutherford, N. J. A suit brought by a Roman Catholic and a Jew was heard in New Jersey Superior Court, where the Gideons were upheld. When an appeal was taken to the state Supreme Court, the Roman Catholic dropped out, but the American Jewish Congress took up the protest. No matter which way the Supreme Court now rules it looks as though the case will reach the nation's highest tribunal.

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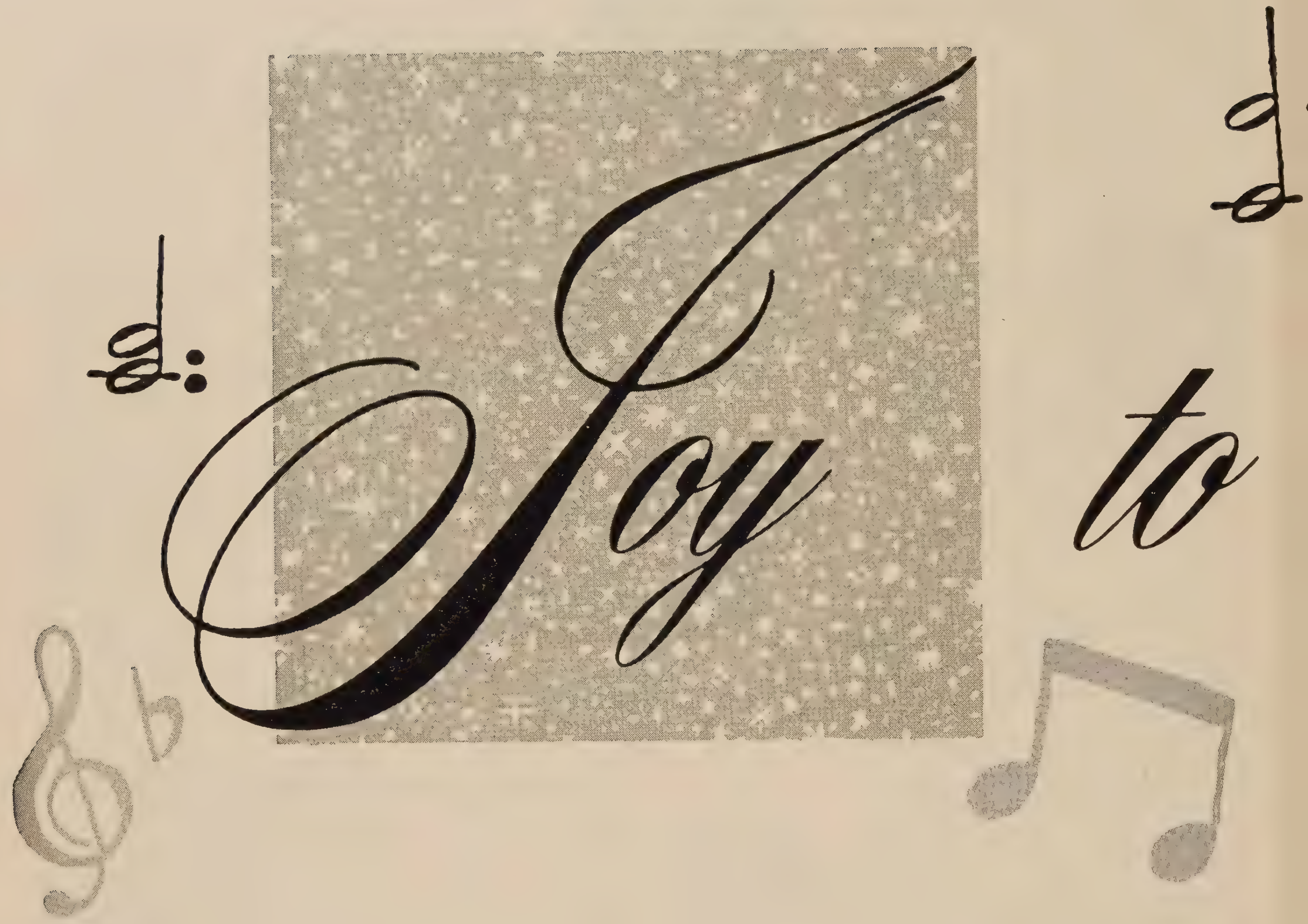

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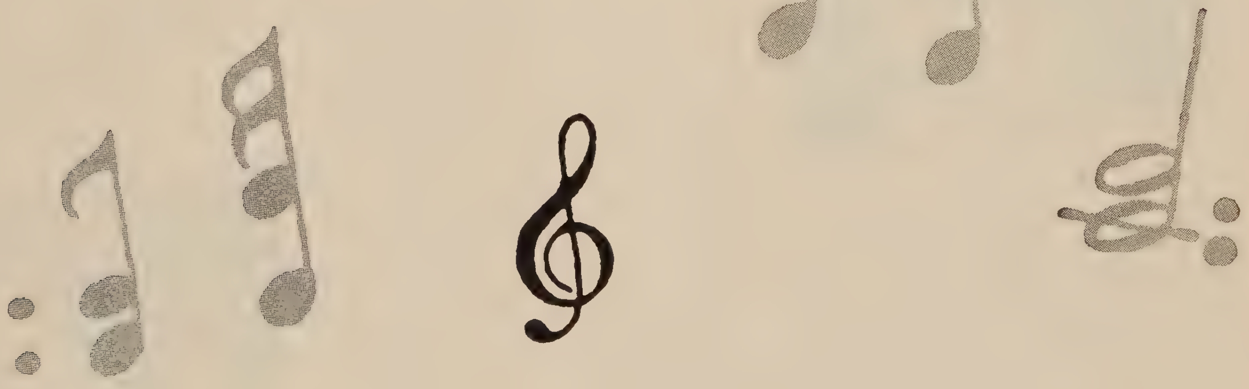

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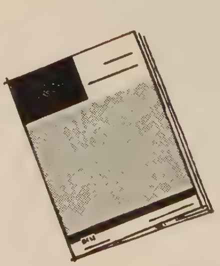

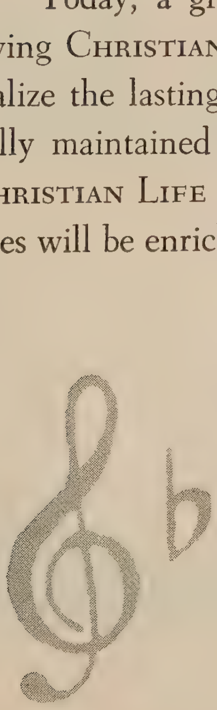

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Relatives protested that the bequest was vague and asked the Superior Court to hold that Miss Allen died intestate.

▸ MUSIC

Honor for a Hymn Writer

THE WORDS of one of the church's greatest hymns, "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee," have brought untold blessings to generations of Christians. This year marks the 800th anniversary of their author, a medieval "saint" and evangelical hymn writer, Bernard of Clairvaux. Churches in Britain are paying honor this year to Bernard. Besides "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee," Bernard wrote others, "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts," "O Jesus, King Most Wonderful," and "O Sacred Head, Once Wounded."

It is said that Bernard's hymns sustained David Livingstone in his darkest hours, when, fever-ridden, he wandered through Africa's jungles singing them in original Latin. Bernard was a monk long before the Reformation, but Dr. T. M. Lindsay, historian of the Reformation, accords him a place in the Evangelical Succession.

He was a great preacher in the revival tradition as well as poet. His first appearance as an evangelist was in Paris where he won numerous converts. And he was a strong critic of corruption in the church, even rebuking the Pope himself in stinging words: "All the worthless, contentious fellows, whether from the people or the clergy, run off to you, and return boasting that they have found protection when they ought to have found retribution."

Memorial for Bach

A MEMORIAL to Johann Sebastian Bach will be placed in the Garden of Our Lord, Lutheran outdoor hall of fame at Coral Gables, Fla. The honor is being paid Bach, according to a Lutheran spokesman, Col. Wallace E. Hackett, chairman of the institution, because the famed German composer "was a devout Christian who held firmly to the Lutheran faith."

Hymns for the 'Hep-cats'?

IF YOU'VE BEEN LISTENING to juke boxes lately you may have noticed that tin-pan alley has got religion—or at least what tin-pan alley thinks is religion.

The trend ignited the *Washington Daily News* into a recent front page editorial denouncing such "sacrilegious treatment of hymns and religious songs." Captioned "Renderings Unto Caesar," the article declared that "viewed with any regard for taste, relevance, decorum and melody, the current tin-pan alley orgy adds up to the most vicious sort of subversion."

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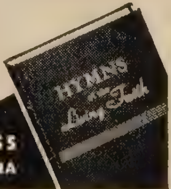

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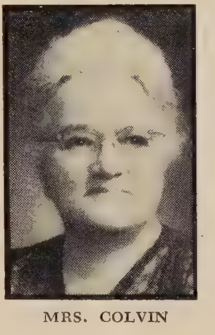
ing out of the radio," the article stated, "is an increasing stream of songs about lovers meeting within sound of mission bells, ladies left sobbing in chapels, and strident testimonials to the serenity to be found in the little church in some quaint little fishing village down Mexico way."

The author took issue also with the synthetic piety of singers who announce (on radio and TV) they are "now going to sing a great and beautiful song which means a very, very great deal to all of us in these difficult and dangerous days."

▶ WOMEN

Temperance Battler Retires



MRS. COLVIN

MRS. D. LEIGH COLVIN is retiring from the presidency of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. She was its head for nine years. She said she would remain active in the temperance cause, however. Mrs. Colvin is credited with reactivating the 80-year-old organization as a force against the beverage interests. The WCTU, founded in 1874, now has its headquarters in Evanston, Ill.

Circuit Rider—1953 Style

THE BIG ATOMIC ENERGY plant now building near Paducah may or may not produce a newfangled type of energy, but it already has produced a newfangled type of ministry—or rather minister.

The minister is a lady—22-year-old Joyce Miller, first woman to be appointed to the mobile ministry of the Presbyterian Board of National Missions. Because the booming communities of trailer camps built in the area have no churches, Miss Miller takes the church to them with a trailer chapel.

Women Vs. the Supreme Court

THE U.S. SUPREME COURT might be the highest court of the land, but the nation's women don't agree with its decision excluding religion from the public schools. That, at least, is the conclusion of a majority of Protestant women polled by the *Woman's Home Companion*. Answering the question "How Should Children Learn about Religion?" 66 per cent of the Protestant women favored teaching the subject in the public schools and 52 per cent of the Protestants favored clergymen as instructors of the class.

The Church That Stayed Put

THAT THERE remains a Methodist Church in Weaver, Texas, is entirely due to an 84-year-old woman, Mrs. Cora Lee McCord. When the denomination district superintendent three years ago proposed to abandon the church (attendance had dropped to less than a dozen) Mrs. McCord, a member for 50 years, told the officials: "You can move the church but you dead sure can't move my pocketbook!"

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▶ EVANGELISM

'Unanchored Evangelism' Hit

"RELIGIOUS GLAMOR BOYS" at the head of "unanchored movements" were hit by the Rev. Dr. William Ward Ayer, one-time pastor of Manhattan's Calvary Baptist Church. He stated that Protestants should resist the spell of "individualistic" evangelists.

"Biblically orthodox leaders," he said, "have espoused a loose individualism in which order and decorum in church life have been forsaken, and have allowed appeals by religious 'glamor boys' to capture the imagination of the multitude (with) little effect upon the advancement of organized Christianity. These . . . unanchored movements, while undoubtedly helpful at times, may easily become the instrument that will disintegrate our organized Protestant church life."

Christ-for-America Conference

CHRIST FOR AMERICA, a national evangelistic movement, will hold a winter conference from Jan. 30 to Feb. 7 at Keystone Heights, Fla. Speakers will include Dr. Walter L. Wilson, Dr. E. Schuyler English, Jim Vaus, Dr. John E. Zoller and others. J. Strat Shufelt will direct the music.

Revival in Guatemala

CROWDS of from 8,000 to 25,000 twice a day for five weeks were reported by Pentecostal evangelist, T. L. Osborn, during a campaign in Guatemala. Osborn's campaign, according to *Pentecost,* magazine published for the World Conference of Pentecostal Churches, resulted in more than 50,000 first time decisions for Christ. At one baptismal service, in which a specially constructed concrete tank measuring 60 by 9 feet was used, more than 1,500 new believers were immersed, said Osborn.

People in Crowds

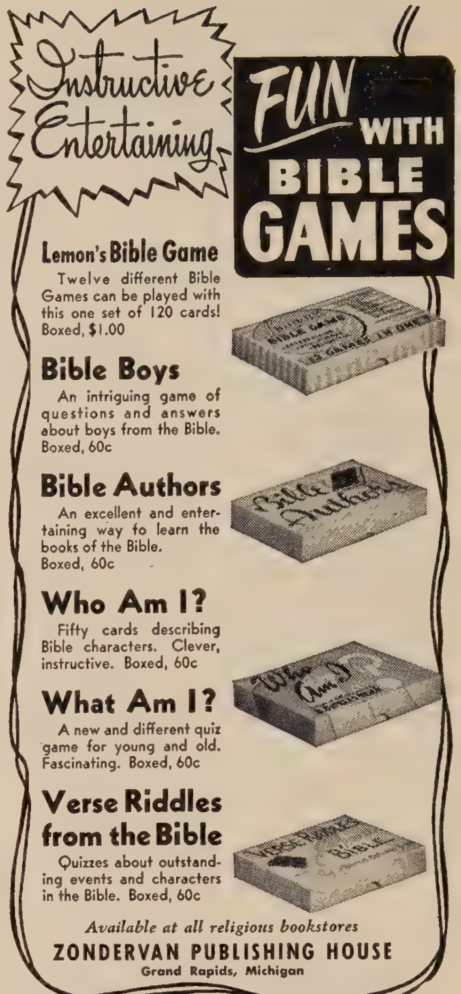
EVANGELISTS were having considerable success last month in drawing crowds and getting converts. In Detroit, Billy Graham's month-long campaign at the State Fair grounds drew overflow audiences for his 11,000 seat tabernacle.

In Clinton, N. C., Dr. Hyman J. Appelman preached to more than 20,000 during a two-week campaign. There were more than 1,600 decisions with "at least 700 first-time" professions of faith.

▶ FILMS

Luther and the Catholics

WHAT does the Roman Catholic hierarchy think about the motion picture, *Martin Luther?* The reaction has been comparatively mild, judging by the classification it got in the Roman Catholic Legion of Decency List, an agency which censors movies for the church members. To take care of the movie the Legion trotted out a separate classification for it and pointed out: "This picture offers a sympathetic and approving representation of the life and the times of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Barred or not, Roman Catholics are flocking to see the film, judging by "Letters to the Editor" columns in various publications.

Moody Films to Chinese

AT THE REQUEST of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Robert L. Constable, vice-president of Moody Bible Institute, flew to Formosa to present the Institute's gospel-science films to the Chinese Nationalist Army. They will be shown to the troops as a part of the army's character guidance program.

Bible League Film

FILMED in five different foreign countries the World Home Bible League motion picture, *Story Without An End* has been completed.

The film, according to William A. Ackerman, league director, tells the story of the distribution of Scripture abroad. Ackerman himself wrote the narration, and musical adaptations are by Prof. Henry Rhea, Philadelphia organist.

EDUCATION

$300,000 Church School

DEDICATION of a new $300,000 Bible school by the First Baptist Church of Hackensack, N. J., was the talk of the town recently. A nine-page spread in a daily newspaper, featuring stories, pictures and congratulatory advertisements highlighted the public's reaction to the dedication.

The pastor of the church, the Rev. Joseph M. Stowell, and the organization he heads were hailed as "bulwarks of fundamental, Bible-believing Christianity," as the new building was dedicated.

The new structure has 70 rooms on two floors and is to be used as a center for both youth and adults in the life of the church.

Released Time's Value

DO RELEASED TIME religious classes help? The question was answered by Judge J. H. Glasser, of Enid, Okla., who reported that his office records show a marked decline in juvenile delinquency since the released time classes were begun.

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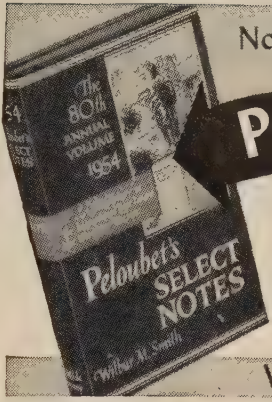

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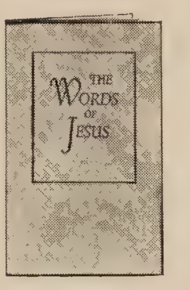

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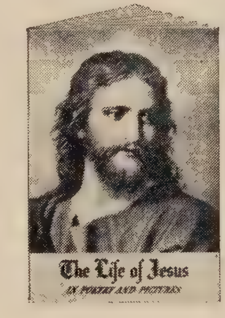

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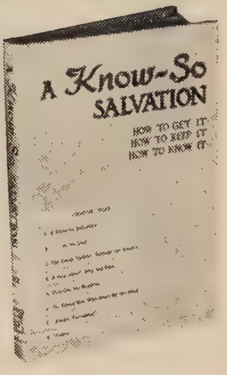

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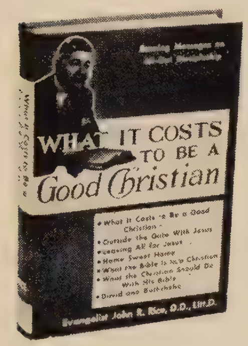
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Cold Land—Warm Church

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH for Eskimos to be organized in Alaska was begun recently. There were 57 heavily-furred members. Named the Native Baptist Church, it is pastored by the Rev. John T. Dickerson. The church is the fruit of eight years of mission work among Eskimos of Fairbanks. Incidentally, a Southern Baptist church, Wisconsin's first, was formed in Madison, the state capital.

Lutherans Call Off Unity

LUTHERAN church bodies backed away once more from a discussion of possible unity at a meeting of ten of the 16 Lutheran church bodies in the U.S. in Chicago. They decided that the time was not ripe and called it off for another year.

Baptists' New Work

SOUTHERN BAPTIST missionaries have made preliminary surveys of Sumatra and Bali, islands of the Republic of Indonesia, with a view towards opening new fields.

The work will add force to a missionary effort now being planned for Southeast Asia by Australian churches.

PEOPLE

Witnessing Ball Players

HAL JEFFCOAT, Chicago Cubs centerfielder, and George Jeffcoat, former pitcher with the Brooklyn Dodgers, are brothers. More than that, they are brothers in Christ. Recently George entered a New Orleans seminary, leaving his ballplaying career. It was not long afterwards that Hal, speaking in a Chicago church, said: "I'm glad to speak for Jesus Christ." He told how he found Christ as his Savior in a World War II foxhole and determined he would "speak for Him every chance I had."

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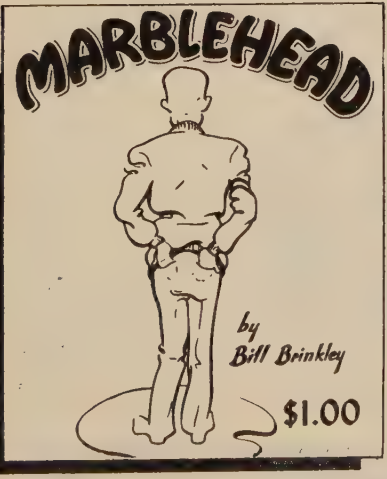

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Gridiron Witness

THE SPORTS WORLD was treated to a Christian testimony in action at Toronto recently. Donn Moomaw, (see CHRISTIAN LIFE, Oct. 1953) outstanding Christian center of the Toronto Argonauts of Canada's Big Four professional football league, jolted referees by protesting a decision favoring his own team. The officials had ruled a pass by Ottawa, the opposing team, was incomplete, but Moomaw convinced the referee it was complete.

The decision led to an Ottawa touchdown. But Toronto won anyway, 18 to 17. Shortly after the game Moomaw headed back for U. C. L. A. to complete his college work.

Salvation Army Hero

ONE RECENT SUNDAY morning Salvation Army Senior Major H. Bloomberg was caring for a drunken man in the Atlanta, Ga., Men's Social Service Center. The man whipped out a knife and stabbed Major Bloomberg several times, inflicting serious injuries.

Pulpit Hero

IN ROCKWOOD, TENN., on an October Sunday morning, Pastor John Lundy of Eureka Baptist Church was preaching his sermon. Stricken with a heart attack, he was eased to a chair, where he said: "This may be my last sermon, and I want to complete it." He did and said "Goodbye" to his congregation as he was carried out from the church after the benediction. He died later the same day.

Mother of Pastors

AN UNSUNG HEROINE of the Christian faith, Mrs. Alice Bunch Weniger, mother of six ministers of the Gospel, died in October at Yuba City, Calif. She herself was the wife of a missionary, the Rev. F. W. Weniger, and they worked for years in South America. Later they did evangelistic work on a houseboat among Mississippi river towns between St. Paul and St. Louis. After 55 years of serving Christ the couple retired to Yuba City. Her husband survives, together with six of their eight children.

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Philippine Growth

PROTESTANT membership in the Philippines has gone up from zero in 1900 to between 400,000 and 500,000 persons this year, according to statistics reported at the Northern Philippine Annual Conference. To highlight this increase, it was recently announced that four workers of the United Church of Christ became the first missionaries to be commissioned by a Philippine Protestant body. They were assigned to Indonesia and Thailand.

Liquor Store Loses

FLORIDA state officials ruled that a Sunday school is the same thing as an established church in the eyes of the state liquor laws. State Beverage Director J. R. Hunter refused to permit a liquor licensee to set up shop at a point 1,047 feet from the Asbury Methodist Church in Orlando. The liquor dealer had pointed out that the only function being carried on at the church was Sunday school.

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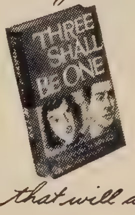

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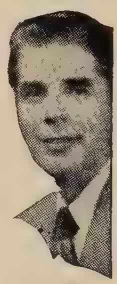

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THERE are more radios than automobiles, telephones, bath tubs or tooth brushes in the U.S.A. The best estimate is 110 million plus. By comparison J. Edgar Hoover, director of the F. B. I., says that 11 out of 12 people in the United States never attend any church of any faith anywhere with any regularity. This confirms that America must have more gospel broadcasting.

Furthermore, there must be an increase in the televising of gospel truth especially because the television audience is increasing rapidly. Already television is reaching and influencing more than 50 per cent of all American homes. There are 30 million TV sets in operation, with more than a million new sets being manufactured and distributed every month. Within five years complete saturation of the nation is predicted. One of the greatest investments that anyone can make is to support financially the messengers and telecasters that deserve our contributions.

▪ The recent revolt in East Germany has confirmed how powerful radio can be in the "cold war." In spite of eight years of increasingly severe Red repression in East Germany, the hope of liberty has been kept alive, helped largely by Radio Free Europe. Because of the continual broadcasting, the workers dared to disobey the authorities of East Berlin. Although this revolt against a police state had been declared impossible, it happened and radio had much to do with it.

▪ Clergymen were encouraged recently by Ralph W. Hardy, vice president of National Association of Radio and Television Broadcasters, at the eighth annual Religious Broadcasting Workshop of the National Council of Churches. He affirmed, "You of the clergy are a very vital link in the service relationships between the broadcaster and the public. Your self-propelled efforts to increase your effective use of radio and TV, as evidenced by your participation in this workshop are much appreciated and admired. You are being watched most anxiously by a broadcasting industry that senses the clear need for improvement in the basic ingredients of well rounded program offerings to satisfy the wants of a spiritually aroused America.

"Our greatest source of restriction as we undertake to harness the great power of radio and TV in the service of God," he told the religious leaders, "is that we tend to be rigid in our thinking, stereotyped in our methods of teaching and short-sighted in planning big enough for the needs and wants of our unseen audience. We must learn to be dynamic if we are going to use dynamic tools like radio and television."

▪ A commendable vesper hour series is being conducted by the Radio-TV commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. This fall a new series of 30-minute weekly broadcasts was launched by this commission in cooperation with Methodists, Presbyterians and the Protestant Radio Center in Atlanta, Ga. Each of the three participating groups—Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian—will be responsible for 13 weeks in a regular rotating plan. This is definitely a new move in the realm of religious radio. The Southern Baptist Convention is to be commended for approving this action.

The Radio-TV commission of the Southern Baptist Convention is using some 360 stations to carry the "Baptist Hour" radio broadcast every week. They also have several regular broadcasts such as "The Good News Hour" and "The Chapel Upstairs" series. They are now producing a number of religious films for use on TV stations all over the country and Paul M. Stevens, former pastor of the First Baptist Church in Ada, Okla., has been elected director of the commission.

▪ Will "pay-as-you-see TV" soon be a reality for United States audiences? Several different methods await a long and careful study by the FCC and U.S. advertisers. This new method of financing TV has been spearheaded by a quartet of four UHF grantees, namely—WDHN, New Brunswick; WIP, Philadelphia; WELI, New Haven; and Stamford-Norwalk TV Corp. They are asking for authorization of subscription-television. They claim that it is the only means of putting UHF-TV on an economic basis. This group has implied that unless some means of revenue becomes available (such as box-office television) they might have to give up their construction permits.

A 14-page petition by this group has been placed before the FCC. It was filed within a month following a bill (HR-6431) by Rep. Carl Hinshaw (R—Calif.) which would amend the Communications act to define subscription-television and theatre TV as common carrier operations. Another petition by Zenith Radio Corporation asking for subscription-TV to be authorized as a commercial service has been pending before FCC since early 1952. Although it is too early to predict what will transpire, an editorial in *Broadcasting-Telecasting* declares "at the moment chances are that it may be a part of television within the next few years." If this be true, the movie industry will move right into our homes and make us pay for what we see and hear.

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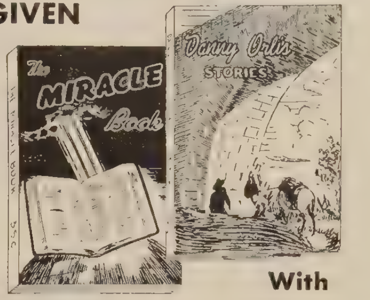

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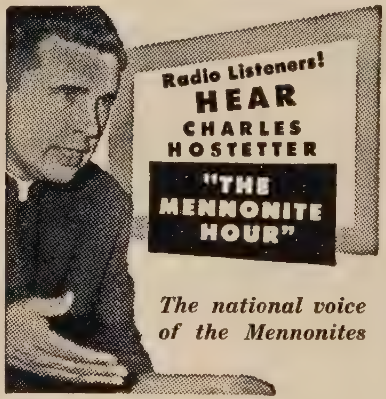

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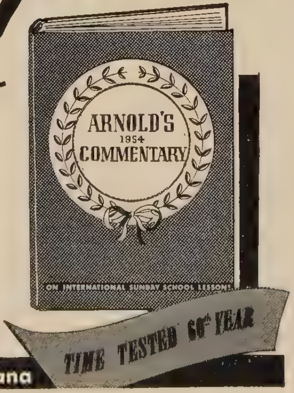

BIG BAPTIST

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prise, "W. A., what are you doing up here?"

Eyeing him firmly, he announced, "I'm going to preach."

Entering Baylor at 17, he began to preach immediately, having been ordained that summer. He pastored two half-time churches about 35 miles from Waco. Holding services every Saturday night, that day he would drive out to them and return to school early Monday morning or late Sunday night.

He recounts, "I would eat supper one place Saturday evening, go to church for the preaching hour, go to another home and stay Saturday night and on Sunday noon go to one home to eat the noon meal and then to another home to eat supper. Then if I stayed Sunday night I would go to still another home for the night. I literally ate my way and slept my way into the hearts and homes of untold numbers of people."

As Texline's barber, W. A.'s father was popular among the boys for the haircut he gave them, labeled as "high up and all around." Besides assisting his father by acting as porter and shoeshine boy for the barber shop, W. A. swept out the local post office for the postmistress. Once in lieu of payment owed him he accepted an encyclopedia set, which he carted in a child's red wagon to his parents' five-room, stuccoed home.

W. A. was blessed with a parent who had a penchant for music. At times Mr. Criswell led the choir. He also organized a seven-piece orchestra, which included the author struggling with the trumpet, and W. A., handling the trombone.

As a preacher rather than a musician, however, W. A. has made his major contribution. No sooner had he accepted the call to preach in the Woodson-Whaley-Rice revival than he singled out his father's chickens to practice his future sermons on. The neighbors also shared in his homiletics, for since this embryonic stage he has been recognized as one who could well get along without today's convenience of auditory amplifiers.

"I sometimes humorously say," to couch it in his own words, "that I cannot preach now as good as I could when a boy. Now you cannot hear me more than three miles, but when I was a boy you could hear me at least five."

While attending Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., he pastored two half-time churches, one at Oakland, the other 20 miles away at Woodburn.

"They used to say there," he relates with a grin, "that it was easy to see where the preacher was eating dinner that day because I would get so hot preaching that I would simply sweat all my clothes down. And when I went to the place at noon for the meal, all my clothes would be hanging on the back clothesline to dry. People passing by could usually tell where I was by all those clothes hanging on the line."

When finishing his Th.M. work in the Louisville seminary at 25, he married Kentucky-born Betty Harris, age 22. A graduate of the Western State Teachers' College at Bowling Green, she taught school at the time. At Dallas, she teaches a Sunday school class and works in the church wherever needed. Sums up husband Criswell: "She is one of the finest and most capable preacher's wives in all the world."

After getting his Ph.D. from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1937, he was called to be pastor of the First Baptist Church at Chickasha, Okla. There, unique difficulties confronted him. He divulges, "Chickasha is the location of the Oklahoma College for Women and it nearly scared me to death to stand up in front of all those girls and try to conduct services, be a counsellor, guide the Baptist Student Union and do the other work that I had to do as their pastor. Since then I can say that I pretty well have overcome my stage fright in the presence of a whole group of girls, but to start with it was quite an ordeal for me. I do not know why, but I have always been shy around girls."

> **When you have nothing left but God, then for the first time you become aware that God is enough.—** ***Henry Martyn.***

While at Chickasha, Criswell came under the approving eye of Dr. A. N. Hall, pastor for 28 years of the First Baptist Church of Muskogee, Okla. He told some of the men of the church that if anything happened to him, he wanted them to call "Brother Criswell" to be their pastor. At Christmas, 1940, 75-year-old Hall died. The first Sunday of 1941, the pulpit committee was appointed at noon, and by one they had Criswell on the phone and invited him to shepherd them. The committee never considered any other name.

In October 1944, a selection committee from the First Baptist Church at Dallas journeyed to Muskogee, took a liking to the youthful crusader and petitioned him to be their pastor, which he accepted. On July 7 of that year, the Dallas church's pastor for 47 years, the silver-haired, golden-tongued Dr. George W. Truett, had passed on. With him hailed by the Baptists of the world as the "prince of preachers," many members felt like this businessman when approached shortly after World War I by a fund-raising building committee, "I don't know. If anything happens to Truett you won't need a church." With Truett's death, dozens of members did withdraw their letters from the downtown church,

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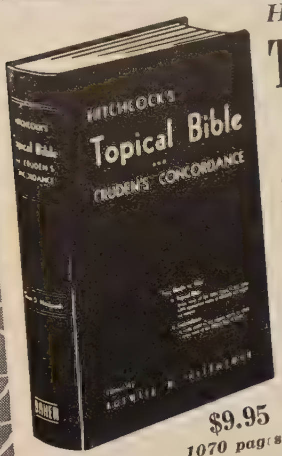

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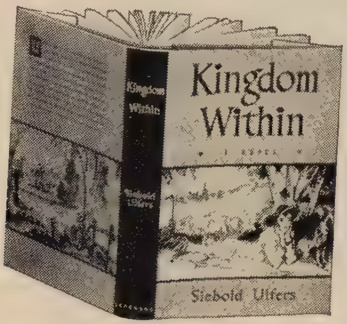

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Speaking of gifts, a most appropriate subject this time of the year, I would like to share with you some book reviews on a few of our titles which might be of assistance to you in locating just the item that you want to present to that "special" friend of yours. Look over my shoulder, would you please, as we page through some of these comments which others have made concerning these titles.

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Some may think he tends to overspiritualize at times, such as when he says that when the first disciples stayed with Jesus overnight the Holy Spirit wouldn't say so, because there is no night in His presence. (*Reviewed by Leslie B. Flynn.*)

General

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Coming in for the more conspicuous share of consideration are Carl McIntire, the American Council, Gerald L. K. Smith, Gerald Winrod, the Federal Council (now the National Council) and the World Council. All except the last three are nailed down as "apostles of discord."

This is a controversial book and as such its material will find its way into serious debate. Yet, regardless of one's point of view he will have to admit that author Roy has uncovered a mass of documentary evidence which cannot be taken lightly. The finger of guilt points hard on almost every page.

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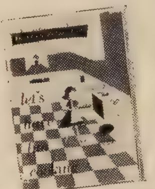

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Again, is it not a possibility that if these had remained true to historic Christianity that at least some of those who are labeled as malcontents might have aimed their theological rifles at those without rather than at those within the Christian church?

Obviously neither side is without guilt. One is overly critical and outspoken, the other is latitudinal in theological attitude. The first in its zeal for truth lacks love, the second in its zeal for love winks at truth.

Even though many theological conservatives will agree with several of the particulars voiced in this book, they will vigorously maintain that the fruits of the World Council will find their best expression not in a united front for Christian truth, but as a vehicle for power-politics. END

BIG BAPTIST

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while others gloomily shook their heads and foredoomed his successor to failure.

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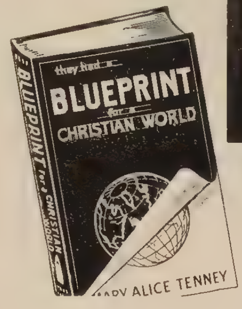

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GIFT OF HIS HEART

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"Ham for supper, Pierre? Now you are spoiling me, my son. Why, it will be like old times. We'll eat it at the table together and I'll use the blue checkered tablecloth."

Two o'clock finally came. Telling his mother he was going to buy the ham and some medicine for her, he hurried to the street where the clean, brick Evangelical Hall stood. On the way he stopped at the pharmacy and got the cough syrup. Then he went to the butcher shop. He couldn't help swaggering a bit as he walked to the counter.

"Two good slices of boiled ham, Monsieur, and see that you cut off the fat."

At this tone of authority the butcher looked Pierre up and down and his jolly red face took on a look of amusement but Pierre didn't care. He watched closely as the butcher trimmed off a suggestion of surplus fat.

Pierre tossed the money onto the counter. It was good to be a man of affairs.

When Pierre reached the door of the hall, he was overcome with fear and walked on by. But the sound of singing drew him back and after looking cautiously in all directions he quickly slipped inside.

The hall was well filled and the people were singing a Christmas carol that he had heard before, "Silent Night." He'd never heard people sing that way.

He glanced about him at the white walls with verses on them. He remembered one that began, "For God so loved the world . . ." It was in the Book. Another one said, "Ask and ye shall receive . . ."

Just then he was surprised to see the missionary lady stand up on the platform beside the big Christmas tree all sparkling with lights. She announced that the children were going to recite and sing and then the children got up one after another.

Finally an old gentleman got up and said that the same Jesus who came to earth as a baby gave Himself on the cross for the sins of all the world. And now He was in heaven and wanted everyone to come to Him for forgiveness of all their sins. Would some one raise his hand now and show he would like to belong to Him? Several put up their hand. Pierre wished he dared put up his. The preacher prayed while the people closed their eyes.

Then down the aisle came a young man, his arms filled with packages. He handed Pierre a silver cornucopia, a green package and a brown paper bag.

"Oh, thank you, thank you, Monsieur," Pierre said. Then suddenly he remembered. Maman would be missing him. As he pushed his way out, the missionary lady came hurrying down the

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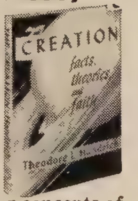

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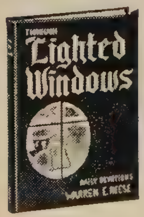

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aisle. She was all smiles. "I'm so glad you came, Pierre. Did you enjoy it?"

"Oh, Madame, how can I thank you?" he said gratefully. "I will tell it all to Maman. And I will take her all these." He held out his gifts.

"And are you ready yet, Pierre, to give Him the gift of your heart?" she asked very gently.

He looked down a second, then lifting his eyes timidly to hers, he said, "Yes, Madame. I asked Him to make me His child tonight. And I asked Him to forgive me for the mean things I thought of Madame Claudel."

"I'm so glad, Pierre. I've been praying for you and your mother every day. The Lord Jesus will take care of you. And you must try to come back next Sunday."

He ran home holding his gifts tight. His heart was lighter than it ever had been. But when he thought of Madame Claudel it nearly stopped beating.

Fearfully he entered the house and went down to their room. He closed the warped door as tightly as possible behind him. To his surprise Maman was sitting by the stove, dressed in a faded wrapper. He saw the blue checked cloth was on the table.

"You've been gone a long time, Pierrot," she said anxiously. Then her eyes grew very bright. "Did you—did you buy it?"

"Yes, Maman," he said, hardly able to contain himself. "I have the ham. And see what else I have brought you." He laid the green package in her lap and began pulling oranges and nuts from the cornucopia, laying them on the table.

"Where have you been, Pierre?" asked his mother wonderingly, at the same time pulling the green paper open and looking at the booklet filled with colored pictures of Christ.

"Maman, it was given me by—guess who?" His eyes sparkled as he watched her.

"Gave them? Who would be so kind to us? I don't know anyone but . . . Pierre, you haven't been to the—the . . ." She stopped and looked in terror toward the door. Then she formed the word "Protestant" with her lips, but made no sound.

Pierre nodded. "The good lady gave them to me. And Maman, have no fear. I understand now. I gave my heart to Jesus and He will take care of us."

His mother buried her face in her hands and moaned.

"Maman, don't, please don't," he said. "I know nothing will happen to us."

There was a creaking of the steps outside their door and Pierre rushed to gather up the gifts on the table. But before he could finish someone rapped sharply at the door and then entered.

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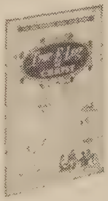

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"So you've been wasting good money again, have you, young man?" she said menacingly, taking a step toward the table.

Pierre's face was white, but somehow he felt strong. He drew himself up and, looking her in the eye, walked slowly toward her.

"Madame Claudel," he said firmly, "you will stay where you are. And here is your rent money in advance."

She grabbed the bills he held out and stuffed them into the pockets of her voluminous apron. The greedy eyes narrowed as she backed toward the door.

"Been stealing, have you? Picking pockets?"

He felt his face grow hot and clenched his fists as he took a step toward her. But his anger passed quickly. Poor Madame Claudel! How different she would be if she knew his Savior!

She had turned and was going toward the door, clutching fast her apron pocket.

"See that you have enough next month, too, young ragamuffin."

"Madame Claudel," he said quietly. As though she sensed something different in his voice, she stopped and looked at him.

"You may call me what you will, Madame Claudel," Pierre said growing bolder. "It makes no difference. Today I gave myself to the good Jesus and He is taking care of me now."

Madame Claudel stood speechless looking at him. As though recognizing the change in him, she loosed her hold on the apron pocket and a softness came into her eyes. Then in a voice Pierre had never heard before she replied.

"To the good Jesus! You talk like my husband used to. He was a good man, a Protestant."

She caught herself as soon as the word slipped out and covered her mouth with her hand.

"Oh, you must not tell anyone that. I'm so afraid someone will find out and I'll lose my business. But pray to your Jesus for me. I should put you out. I don't know why I don't. Maybe it's because I need your prayers. And now I must go."

She was actually wiping her eyes. "I will trust you. And maybe the good God will bless me for it."

Then she was gone, pulling the creaky door closed after her. Pierre could scarcely believe he had heard right. He didn't know anyone could be so happy as he went over to the table beside his mother.

"Now do you begin to understand how Jesus takes care of His children, Maman? Let's thank Him together and then we'll have our feast." END

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Yes, in spite of the indescribable suffering in Korea this Christmastime—there's still room for a song in the hearts of the Korean Christians. Says Dr. Ferguson, a representative of The Oriental Missionary Society, "They are the most loyal, most victorious, the most resistant to succumbing of any people on the face of the earth." He reports seeing many Korean Christians walk barefooted through ten inches of snow for miles to attend a religious service. "It is impossible to exaggerate conditions as they are today in Korea," says Dr. Ferguson. Because there is no situation in the world comparable to the misery and suffering in Korea, it is impossible to convey to the people at home a true picture of the awful pain in that land of heartaches. This is the fourth year of suffering for these valiant people! They have had more than their share!

One missionary reports seeing a Korean tot wandering in subzero weather with just a flimsy ragged jacket to cover his body. Winter is already upon them again and death is stalking in and out of the devastation taking a heavy toll of lives for whom Christ came to save. Think what it would be like to have subzero winds blowing through flimsy makeshift "homes" such as you see pictured above—and the hunger of souls for spiritual peace is as intense as physical hunger.

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by Lloyd T. Callen

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The need is tremendous. Consider the Sunday school teacher who isn't able to buy the costly tomes, yet is interested in research. What about the preacher who cannot afford some of the volumes of the masters of the pulpits? Or the busy husband and wife who need counsel yet fear to ask the preacher about their problem? How can we satisfy the individual who is steeped in wonder because of teachings which he cannot reconcile with the Word of God?

A well-situated library of the church can grace a multitude of situations. It can be a place of meeting during the shopping hours in a city. It can be a denominational headquarters, providing your people with the teachings and the explanations of your doctrines. It can give the Sunday school teacher a wealth of material, otherwise hard to get. It can explain the organizational work of your church. It can place a source of evangelical literature before the pastor which he could not personally afford. It can provide the leaders of your young people's group with ideas and methods of successful endeavors of the past. It can help the leaders of the prayer groups or of other devotional periods to gather materials. And all of this would be keeping within the denominational literature of your church.

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As a pastor, I have often had to dig into my own pocketbook to give books to others when I could not honestly afford to do so. Twice I have seen such books save homes. If I had taken a book from a church collection, I believe that the same results would have been achieved and that the appreciation would have been just as great.

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I remember a little church in a mountain village where I have often preached. The village is more than ten miles from the nearest library. It is often marooned in the winter from all outside sources. Hours drag by. A church library could provide a diversion that is needed.

Have you ever had one of those dreadful days when, without warning, you were asked to prepare a devotional talk for a missionary society or a cottage prayer meeting? Your mind, heart and strength drop to zero and your feet seem like icebergs. You try to think but give up with no ideas. You attempt an outline and finish with a blank paper. You search for devotional helps in your material at home but nothing seems appropriate. A few minutes of browsing through the church library could have been the very aid that you needed.

Do you remember your friend's little argument about love that you so heartily disagreed with, but feared saying anything because of your lack of certainty? By going

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Let Your Class Save Stamps for Missions

by Jean Rasmussen

TAKE a look in your wastebasket and you'll find you're throwing away money—money that could be used directly for missions. Not only that, but you'll also find the class project you've been wanting for your Sunday school class. The whole secret lies in the canceled stamps you throw away.

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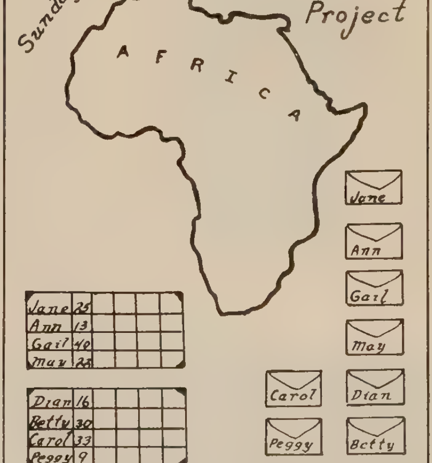

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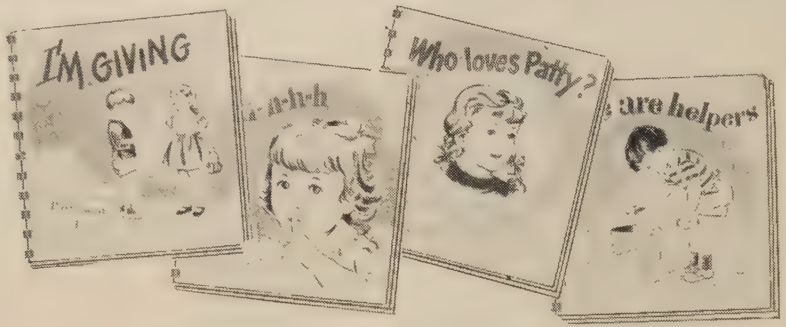

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Naturally, it would take time and organization. But your young people would love to help make shelves, mark the books, prepare book cards, and catalogue the material if shown how. Furthermore, it would be a practical library education for them. One of these would love to be called the church librarian and could check the books in and out. Provide a desk and the printed name "librarian" and some of your deserving rascals would grow up in the moment of their appointment.

In fact, a library, properly used and handled, would have community rewards from the church. Fifty dollars would put a marvelous little library into any church. It would add years of education to the leaders. Your pastor and other leaders would be helped. Likewise, they would have to study harder to keep abreast or ahead of someone like you that is truly interested. And you would have no fear of the material that your children were being exposed to. END

Things To Do This Month

THE SIXTH ANNUAL International Sunday School Contest is officially over, but your work is not. In fact, maintaining and taking advantage of the gains made by the Sunday school contest is a year-around job.

1. Make use of the holiday themes in planning special events to forestall a Sunday school attendance slump.

2. Continue instruction classes for new converts.

3. Increase the size of your visitation committee, if necessary, to take care of the follow-up work. Make a special effort to get back pupils who came "just for the contest." Encourage teachers to call on pupils regularly.

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by Amanda Hull

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How to make a Memory Book

by Betty Muller

BLESSED is the child who learns to make scripture memorizing part of his growth. Memorizing comes easier in childhood, verses learned early in life will "stick," and a habit thus formed most likely will be continued in later life.

In the children's evening service at our church the youngsters make scripture memory books which have added considerable interest to our meetings.

The materials required for our books are simple and inexpensive: red and white construction paper, cardboard, the ever-necessary paste and scissors, reinforcements, and white shoelaces. A pair of shoelaces will do for two books (27" length was found to be best).

To make a cover, fold a sheet of red paper in half and cut a piece of cardboard the size of the folded paper. Place the cardboard between the paper and paste the paper to both sides of the cardboard. Punch two holes several inches apart on the edge of the cover opposite the fold of the paper, and stick the white reinforcements on the holes. Place several half sheets of the red and of the white paper between two covers and punch holes in them in line with the holes in the covers. Fasten together with a shoelace, making a bow.

To decorate the front cover, you can use the initials of your society. For instance, our group is called the Youth Bible club and we cut out the letters Y B C in white and pasted them on the red cover. Or you might paste an open red Bible on a larger white heart to indicate "hiding the Word in one's heart."

The colors red and white have a significance. We have chosen the twofold aim: to know Christ as Savior and to live the Christian life. Red stands for salvation through the blood and white for the righteousness of Christ in us. The memory verses are carefully chosen to fit in with this theme.

The memory verses are typed on slips of paper and given out from time to time at our Sunday evening meetings. They are discussed and the children decide which kind they are. The salvation verses are pasted on a red page, the Christian life verses on a white page. A gold star is pasted by each verse that the child can recite without error.

Some suggested salvation verses are: Isa. 53: 6; Matt. 1: 21; Luke 19: 10; John 1: 12; John 3: 5, 16, 18, 36; John 5: 24; Eph. 2: 8, 9; Titus 2: 11; Acts 16: 31.

Some Christian life verses are: Matt. 5: 16; II Cor. 6: 17; Eph. 6: 1; II Tim. 2: 3; II Tim. 2: 15; Heb. 4: 16; James 1: 22; I John 2: 1.

To further add to the book, "sin" verses may be pasted on black paper and verses concerning the Godhead on yellow paper. The main idea is to keep at it, and in time the children will acquire a priceless store of God's Word and will take pride and pleasure in doing so. END

OBJECT LESSON

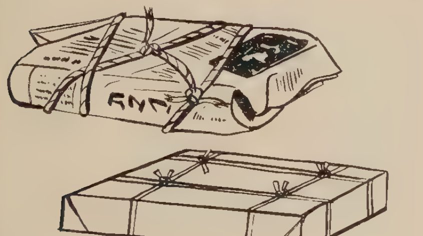
Packages for Jesus

by Evangelene McQuillen

YOU can teach consistent Christian living by three wrapped packages of uniform size: one package wrapped carelessly and loosely in newspaper, a second bound tightly in unattractive gray or brown wrapping paper, and the third wrapped neatly and securely in attractive paper. This is an ideal object lesson for the Sunday after Christmas.

Begin by encouraging the group to describe the many packages they have received. Some of them have been "thrillers," while others have been most disappointing. Then ask the children to think of themselves as "packages whom Jesus has picked" (John 15: 16a).

Display first package. Would anyone care to receive a package like this? Neither would Jesus. Ask someone to read II Kings 2: 23, in which we find children mocking a prophet of God. Those who are not careful to honor God's servants will not attract other boys and girls to their church and Sunday school.



Packages represent boys and girls.

Display second package and ask someone to read Luke 15: 25-32. This elder brother had been careful to do what was right, but he did not truly love his own family. Do you think he could have convinced his neighbor that he was interested in the welfare of others? (John 1: 40, 41)

Display third package, and if possible, use flannelgraph story of Samuel (I Sam. 3: 1-10), emphasizing Samuel's willingness to listen to God so that he might become an attractive package for Him in Israel (I Sam. 3: 19, 20).

Close with an invitation for those who have never become packages for Jesus, and for those who want to become more attractive packages for Him. END

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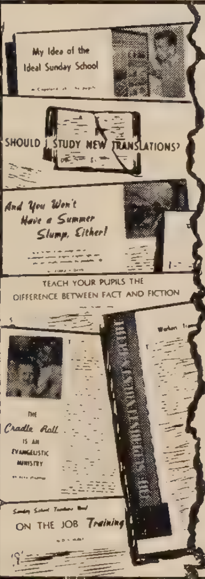
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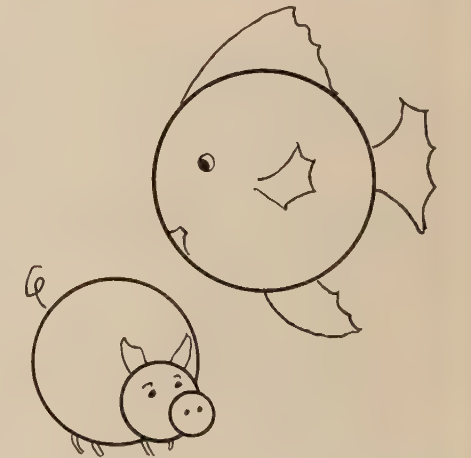
by Sylvia Mattson

TEACHING with circles can keep teachers from going around in circles. In fact, it not only makes teaching easier, but it also may make it more effective.

In this method of instruction the lesson is taught, after which the child is given a piece of paper upon which is drawn a circle. He completes the sketch that is suggestive of the lesson and then colors it with crayons. It is best for the teacher to place a circle on the board and complete the sketch so that the children may copy.

There are a number of stories in the Bible which will suggest circle sketches. The "great fish" from the story of Jonah is excellent. The teacher relates the story, emphasizing the fact that God prepared a special fish. Man does not know what the fish looked like, but he does know that it was large enough to swallow Jonah. The fish can be colored with crayon and the following Scripture written beneath it, "Now the Lord had prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah" (Jonah 1: 17).

Another story that can be used is the denial of Christ by Peter (John 18: 25-27). The cock that crowed three times is the subject for the picture, and the Scripture for the sketch can be, "Peter then denied again, and immediately the cock crew" (John 18: 27).



Circle animals are easy for tots to draw.

The story of Christ wanting to gather the people of Jerusalem together as a hen would protect its chickens, can be taught in this manner with the use of two circles. Detail to the children what it means to a chick to have the protection of the mother hen—what it would have meant to the people of Jerusalem had they permitted Christ to place them under His protecting wings. This may be used as a decision story by asking the question, "Has Christ tried to gather you under His wing?" The teacher draws two circles on each piece of paper, permitting the children to finish the sketch of a chicken. The Scripture for the sketch can be "How often would I have gathered

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by Karl Tauber

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To give us prayer power during our invitations, our church recently began a "prayer battery." Our prayer battery consisted of four people, selected in advance, who came to the altar to pray while the invitation was given.

After the invitation hymn was announced, I asked the prayer battery to come and explained that they were coming to pray specifically for those to whom the Holy Spirit had spoken, that they might have courage to answer God's call to their heart.

We found the people very willing to cooperate. It did two things: first, it did something for everyone who came as a part of the battery. We asked a new group to come each night, and I saw tear-stained faces and new looks in the eyes of many who came to pray. The second thing it did was to take away the bare altar. With some one already there it made it easier for others to come.

One night we had asked a group of young people to come as the battery. Instead of the usual four, six came forward. Two of the group, whom I thought came as part of the battery, had come to get right with God and asked for help.

The idea is basically sound and will add power to your meeting. And it should, for the Bible tells us, "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much" (James 5: 16). END

SAVE STAMPS

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of the class should have an envelope into which the stamps can be placed each week. Sheets of paper should be ruled off, providing space for the names and five Sundays. Gummed corners may be used so that monthly sheets can be replaced. Quarterly poster changes are advisable.

The number of stamps brought in each week can be recorded beside the pupil's name. A total count should be taken once a month. Honorary mention of those with the largest number of canceled stamps can be made in the closing exercises. This gives an opportunity to present the special needs and interests of the chosen field to the entire Sunday school body. Pupils may be asked to lead in prayer for special requests for missions.

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OLD CHRISTMAS CARDS

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Now choose a generous number of cutouts for a scene and a few extras for variation. Slip these into the open end of the envelope.

Cutouts for the shepherd scene would include grouped and individual shepherds, grouped and separate sheep and lambs, angels, shepherds on the way to Bethlehem, shepherds at the manger, and some accompanying verses or inscriptions.

In Sunday school class, Bible club, or at a Christmas party the teacher or leader would read the nativity scripture, Luke 2: 1-16 and Matt. 2: 1-11, after the miniature flannelgraphs had been passed out. Then he should encourage the children to create their own scenes.

At the close of the session pupils could exhibit their scenes and relate the Christmas story.

If the pupils know shut-ins who are their age, they could have a work meeting and prepare miniature flannelgraphs for them. Tie the flannelgraph with gay ribbon and, to give it a personal touch, write the name of the recipient on the cover.

After the season is past, file away the cutouts until they are needed again, then change or supplement them with more cutouts from the next supply of Christmas cards. In the interval between use the flannelgraphs for other projects. END

CIRCLES

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thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings" (Matt. 23: 37).

The story of the prodigal son may be told, using the swine as the animal to be sketched. The swine is always characterized with unclean habits, depicting sin as being unclean. Sin puts some people very low, almost into the pig-pen of life. The Scripture for the sketch would be, "And he sent him into his fields to feed swine" (Luke 15: 15).

The Christmas story, too, can be taught with circles, using a lamb as the animal for the children to draw. The Scripture could be Luke 2: 8, telling of the Shepherds "keeping watch over their flock by night."

The wolf story found in Matt. 7: 15 can be taught by sketching the wolf's face with a part circle. Beneath the picture write the verse, "I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves" (Matt. 10: 16). See also Acts 20: 29.

A story on the loneliness of the owl, using Psa. 102: 6 can be taught with a circle sketch. Christ's life of loneliness should be compared to the owl's. The living habits of the owl should be given. (See also Lev. 11: 17, Deut. 14: 12-15.) Use Scripture: "I am like an owl of the desert" (Psa. 102: 6).

The "circle" method of teaching, used only occasionally, will add variety in Bible instruction. END

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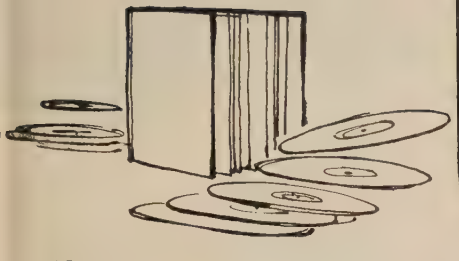

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Wendell P. Loveless
editor

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Record Program Brings Response

I RECEIVED a letter recently from I.B.W. of Auburn, Calif. It stated, "The latter part of 1952 I was conducting a revival meeting and was on the radio daily. I wasn't using 'live' talent, but recorded music.

"And one day I recalled that I had read in your column some months back about presenting the Gospel over the air in a subtle way. So I mentioned it to the radio engineer casually and he said he thought it a great idea.

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"The mail response changed so quickly that it took most of my time to reply and to visit those who contacted me and asked for prayer. From the letters and phone calls I received I knew that I was reaching many sinners. The response I received far outweighed the criticism and made it more than worth-while.

"The reason for telling all of this to you is because of your article last summer which planted the idea in my mind."

■ I trust that you are giving sacred recordings as gifts this Christmas. Each year the list of desirable records greatly increases, and 1953 particularly has produced some exceptionally fine pressings. One of the best Christmas albums I have seen this season is RCA-Victor's collection of *Christmas Hymns* by George Beverly Shea. And what a collection it is! RCA-Victor is going all out these days to give this fine voice the opportunities for expression it so richly deserves. And the choir and orchestra which back Shea up in these arrangements are tops in quality. In this album there are eight well-chosen songs, *Silent Night, Away In a Manger, O Little Town of Bethlehem, O Holy Night, Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne, I Wonder as I Wander, There's a Song in the Air* and *Go Tell It on the Mountain.* I don't know of a better selection or one more nicely done than this.

■ While we're on the subject of organ recordings, Herman Voss has made six numbers for Super Recordings. It seems to me that Voss has outdone even himself in these, for they show top artistry. I have seen this organist play many, many times, and I am always fascinated by the manner in which he seems to bring every fiber of his being into coordinated use as he produces those harmonic progressions.

You will hear some of these in *Blessed Quietness; Near the Cross; His Eye Is on the Sparrow; O, Hear Him Calling* (Voss, the composer); *Singtime is a Happy Time* (another Voss original); and *Ring the Bells of Heaven.* One is apt to run out of adjectives when reviewing the productions of this musician, and also the technical excellence of Super's pressings.

■ I'm glad that the King's Karollers trio has made some more recordings for Super. We can't have too many of the productions of this fine ensemble. They have blend, good diction, spiritual sense of the songs' message, and tonal depth which is quite unusual. The ease with which they sing makes for easy listening. Here are the eight numbers just out on Super Recordings: *It Took a Miracle, Sweet By and By,* a medley of *At the Cross* and *O Happy Day, Just a Closer Walk, Take Up Thy Cross, All the Way My Savior Leads, Because of Calvary* and *All That Thrills My Soul.* You will find all these numbers well worth adding to your record collections.

■ Singspiration has recently released two sides with songs sung by Florence Johns (now Mrs. Johnson). Before her marriage, this fine soprano voice was heard throughout the nation in Youth for Christ rallies, as well as regular church services and evangelistic meetings. Florence Johns' attractive personality is easily recognized in these two Singspiration pressings, for she knows how to "get across" the song's message to the hearts of the listeners. Doug Fisher and Gil Meade supply excellent organ and piano accompaniments for these two numbers, *The Glory of His Presence* and *When I Get to the End of the Road.*

■ The Opal label, made in Beverly Hills, Calif., seems to be a newcomer into the field of sacred recordings. On one side of this new release, there is a musical setting for the 23rd Psalm, sung by Steve Rossi, with Bob Mitchell at the organ. It has the title, *A Song of David.* This voice is deep and resonant, and the element of reverence in the production is readily discerned. On the other side of the record, this same singer does Rudyard Kipling's *If,* a famous poem, for which Louis Herscher has made a fine musical arrangement. END

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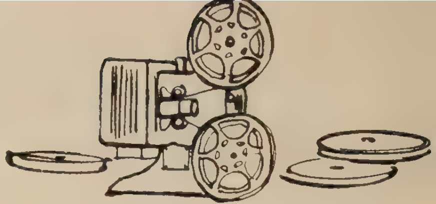

New Development

THE term "audio-visual" covers a wide area of methods. A recent development, the 16mm magnetic recording projector, has opened a great potential for the church field. Several manufacturers have recently released this combination-type projector. The technique used is to run a narrow stripping of tape on the one side of the film.

Missionaries will welcome this new medium upon which they can narrate their own films together with a musical background. By this means one film can be adapted to suit many purposes. It is possible to record and erase until a satisfactory recording is found. Herein lies the opportunity of converting some films to individual doctrinal interpretation. Also by directing the message of a film to a specific audience great returns can be brought on our investment in films.

There is an increasing interest in sound filmstrips. Here again tape recording can be a valuable aid. With this type of equipment individual sound can be made to accompany the presentation. Church workers can get their sound effects, have various individuals taking parts of the characters in the story, and once again can make interpretation according to individual doctrinal beliefs. This makes available a more efficient method of communication.

■ Recently a request came in for an evangelistic film. All of the concentrated evangelistic films had been scheduled. However, through experience we had found a Bible story that could be effectively used in evangelism, entitled *No Greater Power,* a Cathedral production. This is the story of Zacchaeus, based on Luke 19: 1-10. A story of the background of Zacchaeus as a tax collector is portrayed. His greed for money had overcome him, and in his dilemma he said, "There is no greater power." But the day the Lord Jesus Christ said to him, "This day I must abide in thy house" brought a transformation that affected all Jericho.

Film on Zacchaeus depicts meeting Jesus.

Harry G. Bristow, Jr.
editor

ids Film Use

I like this film because Zacchaeus is typical of many of our day. The technique used in this film is very effective. Zacchaeus, in the presence of the Savior, ponders his past as the camera superimposes on the screen the various incidents of his unrighteous life. Truly everyone that comes into the presence of the Savior will experience this same reaction. I was further impressed with the way Zacchaeus made retribution to those he had harmed. This film, if prayerfully and intelligently presented, will bring forth real results for the Lord Jesus Christ. Running time 24 minutes, black and white, rental.

▪ We have heard it said that someone might yet come from foreign lands to bring America the Gospel. This in some respects was fulfilled in the life of one American youth witnessed to by a converted Hindu in the film *Two Brothers Have I.* Steve, the American young man, was invited by Donna (Georgia Lee) to attend the roundtable conference, subject "The Christian Looks at His World." He does not wish to go, and his comments create the subject matter of the film. He was a humanist and had the belief that man had the power within himself to create a good society. But Donna and Ollie, the converted Hindu, counteract his remarks with, "Where will man get the motive and the desire?" Steve is typical of youth around the world. Here Ollie makes the remark that Steve reminds him of his brother in Pakistan, a student at the Forman Christian College. The young man is tossed about with nationalism and international Communism. But under the influence of this Christian college and fellowship with believers in Christ he is coming to see that Christ is the answer.

This film takes us to Pakistan, the largest Moslem nation in the world, deep in idolatry and in need of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This is a good film to emphasize the support of Christian colleges the world around. Young people should see this film; it will help them answer the problems and the questions of the materialistic humanist generation. Produced by Missions Visualized. Running time 30 minutes, color, rental.

▪ It has often been said that the way to the parents is through the children. A film to accentuate this positive statement is entitled *Their Future Is Yours,* produced by Family Films. An 11-year-old girl, Linda, has an experience with the Lord and a desire to join the church but her mother insists she is too young for the step. The faithful Sunday school teacher and pastor take the situation to heart. The pastor suggests that the mother read Mark 10: 14. Inquisitively the mother searches the Scrip-

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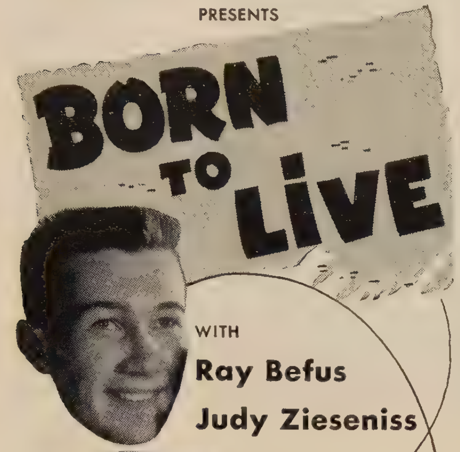

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tures and in talking with the father about the matter, finds that there was a time when the father himself had a definite experience with the Lord but failed to follow through. The family attends the church service and hears the pastor's sincere message and an excerpt from the sermon strikes home—"God doesn't ask how old a person is; God simply asks, 'Do you repent of your sins and do you trust me as your Savior?' "

In a further visit the pastor tells the parents, "Your responsibility as parents goes beyond the usual material necessities of life. The first responsibility for a child's spiritual development does not rest upon the church but on the home." Supplying them with devotional material he suggests that they have family worship. At this point the film gives panoramic views of their growth in the Lord. Finally the mother states, "I can see it all now. The problem wasn't with Linda, it was with us."

This film should be used in parent-teacher meetings, in church meetings, and for encouragement of the boys and girls who have no Christian home life. This film comes highly recommended by us. Running time 20 minutes, rental.

■ An evangelical film producer that is coming into renown is Missions Visualized, Inc. We are most pleased with their many productions and their strides toward top quality. Their new dramatic release, *Empty Shoes,* a biographical film of the life of William Carey, Baptist missionary to India, is another step in this direction. Very forcibly conveyed is the heart cry of a man who heard God's call for the fields of India. Sharing his cobbler's trade with the natives gave him great opportunity to reach others for Christ. He gave 72 years of faithful service and left an everlasting monument by the translation of the Scriptures into 40 dialects and tongues. This was only the beginning of his vision. His lifetime was not long enough to accomplish his dream.

At the end of life he leaves his empty shoes with the challenge, "Who will fill these shoes and carry the Gospel to a land of darkness?" This dramatic ending will bring a terrific impact and challenge. I am happy at the release of this biography of one of God's men and I am thrilled that it has been released for general use. Surely God will bless such a ministry and accomplish the purpose of enlisting others to take up their cross and follow the Lord Jesus Christ. Make no mistake, this film is very highly recommended. Running time 30 minutes, color.

■ Some say that "slides" are on the way out. This might be so in some instances but there is still a great value in using this medium. Subjects can be planned concisely and programs made up to your own liking. One of the most successful means we have of using these slides has been at the climax of a film presentation. One of the finest selections of slides available is the *Life of Christ* produced by Fred Visser Company. The selection here is in many ways unlimited and the prices are very reasonable. Try this method and you will be convinced of its value. All 2 x 2 slides in color. END

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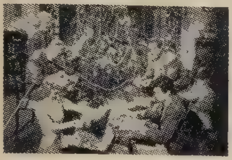

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The world looks at us, so wrapped in our concern for "separation" that we cannot see the very real sins that are buried deeply in our own lives, and laughs us to scorn.

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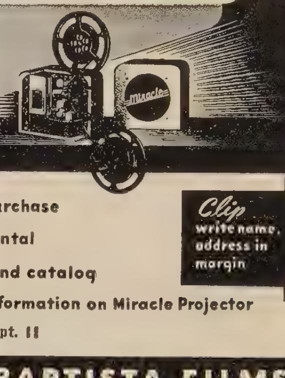

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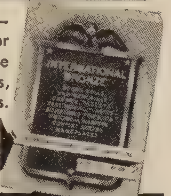

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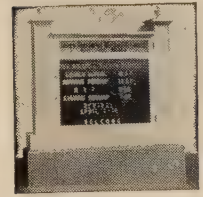

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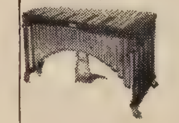

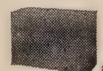

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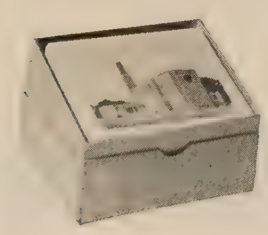

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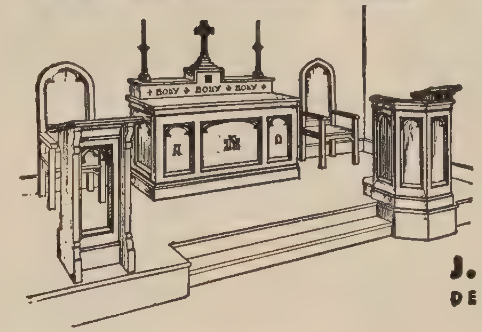

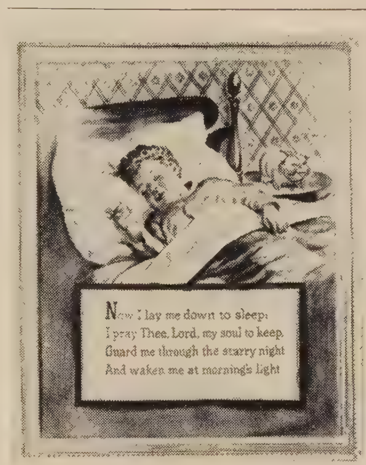

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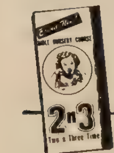

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and Aunt Martha studying their plates. Aunt Esther seemed to be inspecting her nail polish. The boys nudged each other.

Then her father led in prayer. Claire bowed her head with the others. Her father, converted during his middle life, was determined to seize every opportunity to witness to his unsaved relatives. Sometimes he laid it on pretty thick, Claire thought. Had Greg been frightened away by Dad's zeal? Greg had been a Christian such a short time.

They were congregating around the gift-laden tree now. Uncle Vic always played Santa Claus.

Claire seated herself on a low stool. She re-lived that last conversation with Greg when they'd had the misunderstanding. He'd bought tickets for them for the Christmas concert at the University but at the last minute Mr. Davies had felt the choir needed an extra rehearsal for the Christmas cantata at Sunday school. Claire was the accompanist. She couldn't refuse. You can't let people down who count on you. But Greg had been surprised and annoyed when she told him. Was Greg really hurt about that or was it just an excuse? He'd been definitely cool for a week or so before. Since Thanksgiving really.

Aunt Esther was squealing over the cologne. "Claire, dear! My favorite kind! Thank you so much!"

Claire was untieing ribbons, opening packages, too, making appropriate murmurs of appreciation. She hoped the family wouldn't comment that there was nothing from Greg.

The phone rang. Claire felt her heart beating wildly. Her mother answered it, then called, "Claire!"

Weakly she stood up and started toward the phone. But Mrs. Wilden was saying, "Honey, it's a shame. They are having a service at the Rescue Mission and their pianist is sick. Rev. Fuller told them to call you."

Dully she picked up the phone, spoke briefly, agreed to come. She reached for the car keys. "I probably won't be long. It's okay, Mom."

Her mother's face was sympathetic. "I know, but Claire, it does seem that on Christmas—" She shook her head. "You do so much for everybody." She hugged her daughter quickly.

Driving down the icy street, Claire felt a reprieve. Now she wouldn't have to answer any more questions. And she wouldn't see the family again until March when they'd celebrate Grandmother's birthday. By March they would have forgotten.

March! Living till March seemed a grim, unpleasant business.

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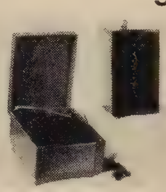

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humanity, and dinner cooking in the next room. The mission leader was young and serious. A converted alcoholic. Claire only half listened to his message as she studied the faces of the men. Some were grey and gaunt. Some were red and shifty-eyed. Christmas was sad for them, too. And Christmas should be a happy time.

The men were filing into the dining room now. Claire pulled her coat on, turned to pick up her purse when someone said her name. "Claire!"

It was as though volts of electricity passed through her body. Only one person said her name like that. Greg stood at the edge of the platform, uncertainly.

"Hi." Her voice sounded natural. They walked together to the front door.

"Your mother said you were down here when I called. I have my car. Could we go for a drive?"

She nodded, unable to speak.

When he put her in the car, just the sight of the familiar blue seat covers brought a lump to her throat.

There was a Christmas package on the seat. Greg got in, started the car. "Uh—that's for you. Merry Christmas." He sounded embarrassed.

"Thank you. Shall I open it now?"

"No. It's nothing much." He stopped for a red light and turned to her. "Claire—I've got to talk to you." He reached over and took her hand. "Where can we go to talk? I don't feel up to seeing your family right now."

"How about March's Malt Shop? It shouldn't be crowded on Christmas."

They faced each other across tall malts on the green formica topped table. Greg's face was serious.

"I don't know how to say this, Claire. First, I'd better ask you a question." He took a large drink of water. "Is—is your religion more important to you than anything—than anyone?"

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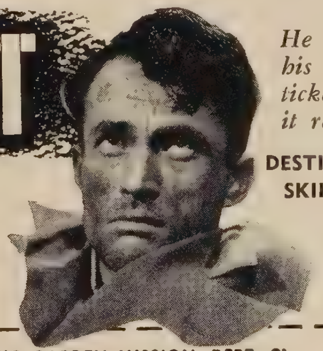

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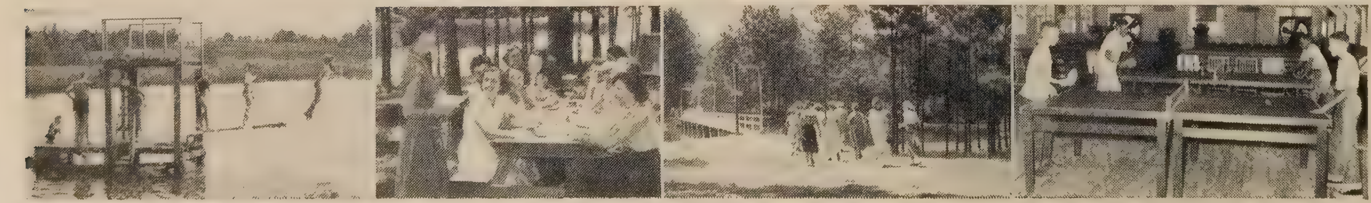

She tried not to betray the surprise she felt. And yet—well, she'd known, hadn't she, that their trouble was because of this?

She spoke quietly. "Yes, Greg. Why do you ask?"

He stared out the window and then turned a miserable face toward her.

"Last September, Claire, the first week I saw you, I felt pretty sure you were the one for me. I guess you know I had a pretty lonesome childhood. Mother and Dad quarreled all the time. I promised myself that if I ever found a girl, she'd be first in my life and I'd be first in hers."

He studied the napkin holder and twirled it in his hands. "I've never known anyone like you and your family. Thanksgiving I began to have doubts if we'd ever make a go of it, Claire. When you broke our date for the Christmas concert, I faced it. All our lives you'd be putting some little old thing at the church before any personal plans. I couldn't take it."

Claire thought that she'd never seen anyone look so utterly miserable.

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"So I decided to try doing without you. Six days are like an eternity, Claire."

She nodded mutely. How well she knew!

His eyes were moist. "Claire, I was so lonesome for you I went to the drugstore, bought you a box of candy and started out for your house today." He sighed. "And even on Christmas you'd gone to the mission."

He paid the check and silently they left the malt shop. He headed his car back toward town. He continued as though nothing had interrupted. "At the mission, Claire, that guy who was once an alcoholic talked to those men and used the same phrases your dad did. Some of the things I've heard you say. Claire, I know you'll never change. But I can change." He reached for her hand. "Show me the way."

Quietly in the darkness of the car, Claire explained the way of committal, the truth of Romans 12: 1 and 2. "I think our 'reasonable service,' Greg, means serving God always, anyplace, at any cost." Together they bowed their heads. Greg's prayer was brief but to the point.

Claire felt the pressure of Greg's hand through her glove. She struggled for words. "Greg, putting God first doesn't mean a person loves husband or wife less—" she stopped, embarrassed.

His eyes were luminous. "You mean—"

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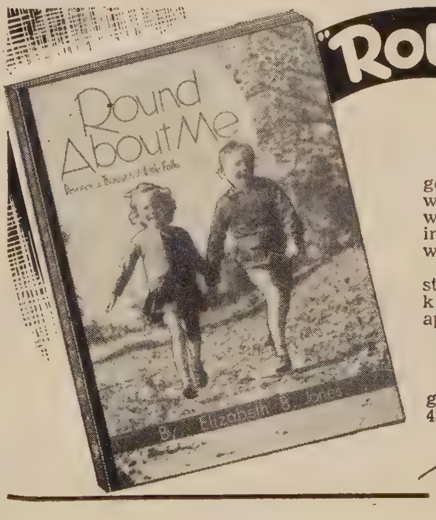

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■ Are we to learn from Job's and Paul's suffering that all suffering endured by the believer is under Satan's control, subject to God's permission?

The particular affliction of the Apostle Paul described in II Cor. 12 was caused by Satan, but that does not mean that every illness and suffering arises from that source. Suffering can be caused by our own sin or disobedience to the will of God or foolishness or because of the thoughtlessness of others. One cannot create a doctrine on a given experience of one person.

■ Do you believe in storehouse tithing (giving all your tithe to one place)?

There is no indication that the "storehouse" is a given local church; on the contrary, the "storehouse" must refer to one's personal stewardship. There should be the Lord's account consisting of tithes and offerings from which we contribute consistently and prayerfully to the local church, to missionary enterprises, to Christian causes as we are led of the Lord.

■ What do you think about the chances of the Communists taking over America? Will God permit this?

Communism is a spiritual evil out of the pit of hell. It is a lie so big that one would not expect any reasonably sensible person to believe it, but millions do. Its progress in the world causes me to remember II Thess. 2: 11, "And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie." It is possible, but not likely, that Communism will take over the United States. If so, it will be from within and not from without. Would God permit such a tragedy to take place? I suggest you read Habakkuk, especially chapter 1, in which the prophet asks the question if God would allow a wicked nation like the Chaldeans to conquer Jerusalem with its temple and people, granted that the inhabitants were godless and wicked. Many times God has allowed a wicked nation to be His sword of judgment against His unrepentant people.

■ I am 18 and a freshman in college. My boy friend has been in the Army almost a year, and is soon leaving for overseas. He wants me to leave school and be married. What do you say?

For the time being both of you have a very real task to perform, each for himself, but not together. I know about GI's wanting to be married (I was a soldier once myself, you will remember); but his responsibility and opportunity while overseas is to be the best soldier he can be for Uncle Sam and to be a bright witness for the Lord Jesus. At your age you should make the most of your opportunity of getting an education. In days to come both of you will be glad for doing what is right and best now. It would be selfishness on his part to insist on your leaving school; and unselfishness always pays out in the long run.

■ I am a widow with one daughter who is a senior in high school. She wants very much to become a nurse. What do you think of that calling?

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■ Our neighbors say that Christmas day is a heathen festival that was adopted by the Roman Church, and that, therefore, any celebration of it is sinful. They profess to be earnest Christians, but do not attend any local church because, to their way of thinking, all churches have many such superstitions as Christmas.

The Bible does not give us the calendar date of our Lord's birthday. We do know that He came "in the fullness of time"; that He was born in Bethlehem, and that His coming had long been prophesied in the Old Testament. There is no need to know which day in the year is the actual birthday of our Lord. We should celebrate one day in His honor. It is true that the pagans of central Europe, to whom the Gospel came in early times, had a heathen festival about the time of the winter solstice (about Dec. 21 or 22); and there may be some relationship between that date and the traditional date of Christmas. Since Christendom has settled upon a date, I think that earnest, born-again Christians do well to remember in appropriate fashion on that day the coming of our Lord, the Son of God, who was made flesh and dwelt among us. We can keep Christmas in a Christian way, not as pagans.

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